



Parents objecting to school reforms in Rishon LeZion clash with guards posted by the municipality in front of a school yesterday. Story Page 2. (Michael Freidin).

Labour Party still hopeful

Tami wants Shamir, Peres to meet president together

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Tami Party leaders yesterday proposed to President Chaim Herzog that before calling on someone to form a government, he invite both Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir and Labour Party chairman Shimon Peres to meet with him to discuss the establishment of a national unity government.

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MK Aharon Abutzeira told reporters last night after a 55-minute meeting with Herzog that their suggestion was "unusual," but that they hoped it would have a change. If the president asked Peres to form a government, Tami would hold discussions with him, but that equality was termed "very unlikely."

The Likud yesterday appeared to retain its hold on coalition members as Tami, Tehiya and the National Religious Party all told Herzog they supported Shamir as prime minister.

The National Religious Party delegation, headed by Ministers Yosef Burg and Ze'evulun Hammer, were the first to appear at Beit Hanassi in the morning. MK Avraham Melamed dropped a small bombshell during the session with

the president by suggesting that either Burg or Knesset Speaker Menahem Savidor form a national unity government. Both, he said, are neutral candidates who might prove more attractive to the Alignment. But the rest of his colleagues rejected this suggestion, and Melamed is expected to follow them when a decision has to be taken.

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The Communist Democratic Front for Peace and Equality, with MK Toufik Toubi at the head of the delegation, told the president that under no circumstances would they support the Likud to form a coalition and called that possibility a "national disaster."

The DFPE would support Peres, he added, only if the Alignment agrees to form a government that would withdraw Israeli forces from all Lebanese territory immediately, stop all settlements in the West Bank and "stop discrimination against the Arab sector of the pop-

ulation." If this is impossible, they called for new elections as soon as possible.

Today, Herzog concludes his consultations, and will meet with Agudat Yisrael, Shinui, Mordechai Ben-Porat and Yigal Hurvitz.

Joshua Brilliant adds: Senior Labour sources yesterday predicted Herzog may hold a second round of talks on Knesset factions to examine the possibility of forming a national unity government.

The sources forecast was expressed after the suggestions to the president by Tami and the NRP's Melamed.

A senior Labour source reached following the president's talks with representatives of the NRP and Tami, said in an interview "Those meetings confirmed our predictions. I didn't believe they would go that well."

But coalition members reached yesterday did not seem to take seriously the possibility that coalition colleagues would not join a Likud-led coalition.

MK Menahem Porush and MK Shmuel Halpern who reportedly preferred a deal with Labour yesterday told *The Jerusalem Post* in unequivocal terms that they would back Shamir.

U.S. ships hit Druse positions, curfew imposed near Beirut

U.S. says Lebanese have taken key town

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — The State Department yesterday said the Lebanese Army had completed the capture of the key town of Suk al-Gharb, overlooking southern Beirut and other U.S.-controlled positions.

"At last report," spokesman John Hughes said, "the Lebanese Air Force has been successful in defending their positions."

BEIRUT. — U.S. warships hammered Druse positions in the mountains yesterday, and for the first time a U.S. spokesman said the fighting was in support of the Lebanese army's defence of Suk al-Gharb and not in retaliation for attacks on Americans.

Hours after the barrage, state-run Beirut radio reported fierce fighting was still raging in the mountain stronghold, which commands the approaches to the capital.

Apparently to prevent infiltration into Beirut, the Lebanese Army command last night announced an indefinite day-and-night curfew along a three kilometre strip of land between the Druse township of Shweifat and Beirut Airport.

Announcing the curfew at 6 p.m., Beirut radio said it was going into force within one minute of the radio broadcast. "Violators will be fired at without notice," the radio said.

Streets in the area were already deserted since Druse or Christian

militiamen snipe at anything that moves.

A separate army statement on the military situation said the army had repulsed fierce artillery and rocket attacks on Suk al-Gharb during the day by Palestinian groups which it named as Fatah, the PFLP-GC (Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine General Command) and the Popular Struggle Front.

The attackers, using tanks, suffered heavy losses, the army statement said.

Lebanese opposition leader Walid Jumblatt indicated yesterday he might invite Palestinian and other militias to fight with him against the Lebanese Army, because of the U.S. military intervention in Lebanon.

Following the U.S. naval bombardment of targets in Lebanon in support of the Lebanese Army, Jumblatt said: "U.S. direct military intervention in the fighting today... requires reconsideration of the role

of the national forces that supported us but did not take part in the fighting so far."

Jumblatt spoke at a press conference with Nimr Saleh, one of the rebel leaders within the Fatah group.

John Stewart, spokesman for the U.S. Embassy in Beirut, said the naval barrages were ordered because "successful Lebanese armed forces defence of the (Suk al-Gharb) area is vital to the safety of U.S. personnel."

The destroyer USS John Rodgers and the guided missile cruiser USS Virginia fired repeated blasts in both the morning and the afternoon as the U.S.-trained Lebanese Army's 8th Brigade fought hand-to-hand with Druse and Palestinians attacking Suk al-Gharb.

The Druse and Palestinians left behind 50 bodies in one attack and had two of their Soviet-made tanks destroyed, said a western military

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Israel lobby supports Marine presence

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — The pro-Israel lobby in Washington has urged the Reagan administration to maintain its military presence in Lebanon.

"Lebanon can be saved. But a clear American resolve is the prerequisite," warned the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC).

It was the first detailed statement by a major Jewish group in support of the continued involvement of Marines in Lebanon since the fighting escalated three weeks ago.

The Reagan administration has sought to enlist the support of Israel and its American Jewish friends in the battle with some vocal elements in Congress to keep the Marines in the Multinational Peace-keeping Force in Lebanon.

AIPAC did not take a specific position on whether the administration should formally invoke the War Powers Act, as demanded by many members of Congress, including several of Israel's most ardent supporters. The Jewish organization merely urged the administration and the Congress to reach some sort

of compromise on the matter so that the Syrians would not misread U.S. resolve.

"If the U.S. is now prepared to say no to Syria in a resolute voice which has the backing of the Congress and the American people, (Syrian President Hafez) Assad will have to think again," AIPAC said. "If the Syrians and their surrogates understand that further offensive action will not be tolerated, they are unlikely to continue their advance on Beirut. There is nothing inevitable about a Syrian victory in Lebanon."

Third-party auto insurance, electricity rates raised

By AVI TEMKIN
Post Economic Reporter

The Knesset Finance Committee yesterday approved increases in electricity rates and in premiums for compulsory third-party automobile insurance.

The 9.4 per cent electricity increase — the second in six days — stems from the recent increase in fuel prices. The insurance increase is 8.9 per cent in real terms, i.e. 8.9 per cent above adjustment for inflation.

The price of electricity for household consumption will now be 183.70 per kilowatt hour, retroactive to August 25. Last Wednesday, the rates were increased by 10 per cent, retroactive to August 1.

Last Wednesday, the committee decided to link compulsory motor vehicle insurance premiums to the rate of inflation. But yesterday the committee decided to approve an increase in the insurance premiums of 8.9 per cent over the rate of inflation.

According to the Insurance Companies' Association, which owns and operates the company that administers compulsory automobile insurance, a cumulative loss of \$547 million was incurred in 1980

as a result of the low premiums. Since 1980, premiums have been increased by 26.4 per cent, in real terms, and the association requested the 8.9 per cent increase to close the gap.

Dan Tichon (Likud-Liberals) asserted at the committee's meeting that the association had based its request on biased calculations, which showed larger losses than were really incurred. Strong public control by the Treasury and the State Comptroller was needed to prevent such situations, he said.

After the meeting Tichon complained that the companies had exercised strong pressure on committee members to vote for the increase.

The committee approved the requested increase, but it also named a special sub-committee, headed by Tichon, to examine the situation of compulsory automobile insurance. The new annual insurance premiums for private vehicles (non-commercial usage)

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up to 1,000	185,992
1,001-1,500	186,853
1,501-2,000	187,454
Above 2,000	189,501

IDF shuffles top generals after Shomron appointment

By HIRSH GOODMAN
Post Defence Correspondent

Aluf Moshe Bar-Kochba, OC Armoured Corps, will soon be named OC Southern Command. Aluf Haim Erez, OC Southern Command, will replace Aluf Yohanan Gur as head of logistics (Quartermaster General). Gur will be retiring from the IDF.

Bar-Kochba will not be replaced as head of the Armoured Corps, his functions being absorbed by Aluf Dan Shomron who assumed his duties yesterday as the commander of the newly-created Ground Forces Command.

Reactions in the army to Shomron's appointment were mixed. Shomron, who has been without an active command for almost two years, was a main contender for the post of chief of staff. His personal relations with Rav-Aluf Moshe Levy are said to be strained. Shomron is known as an independent thinker, and the consensus in the army yesterday was that he would mould the yet-undefined Ground Forces Command into a "body to be reckoned with."

Officers in the Artillery Corps — one of the forces to be incorporated

into the command — said they were as yet unclear on how they are expected to integrate into the new structure. The same sentiments were voiced by senior officers from the Armoured Corps and the Infantry, all of whom will knit into the combined hierarchy that has been created with the Ground Forces Command.

Gur, who will be retiring from the IDF, is generally considered to have been one of the most successful quartermasters-general. In addition to overseeing the Sinai and Lebanese pullbacks — operations that have been called "logistical nightmares" by military experts — he was responsible for coordinating all logistic support during the war in Lebanon, and for the rebuilding of the armed forces after the war's major battles.

Erez made a name for himself during the Yom Kippur war. After the operation he was congratulated by all parties concerned, including the residents, for his sensitive handling of the explosive situation. His background is almost exclusively in the Armoured Corps, as is Bar-Kochba's, the man who will be replacing him at Southern Command.

Cut-throat competition cuts shipping freight charges 20%

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Cut-throat competition between shipping companies has reduced freight charges by 20 per cent or more, to the benefit of both exporters and importers, a *Jerusalem Post* survey has revealed.

Freight charges account for about 10 per cent of the value of goods. This means that merchants are saving roughly two per cent on their costs, amounting to many millions of shekels monthly. The windfall is a special boon to exporters, who have been hard-pressed by what they say is the "unrealistic" rate of exchange, but it also benefits importers, making it easier for them to sell foreign goods in Israel.

The drastic reductions have resulted from the Zim shipping company's hitting back at the many mainly foreign firms that have been cutting prices to get a foothold in the Israeli market. At a recent press conference, Zim general manager Yehuda Rotem said the competition was especially directed at the Israel-Europe lines that were Zim's mainstay, and the company would

fight for their survival.

The outsiders are able to lower prices because the continuing worldwide shipping slump makes it possible to charter foreign ships very cheaply.

A shipping expert said in an interview that another factor is that since the peace agreement with Egypt, shipping companies that avoided Israel due to the Arab boycott now view this country as a legitimate target for business. The situation has changed both because the boycott has relaxed in shipping and because Egypt, which is a major Arab market, no longer objects to ships calling in Israeli ports.

While most of the outsiders represent foreign shipping companies running one of the big new competitors is Iscon, which has Ezer Weizman on its board of directors and the veteran Allalouf company as its agent.

Iscon, which launched its entry into the Israeli market on the Euro-

pean lines with two chartered West German container vessels last April, has already added a third ship.

The Israeli company received charter permits from the Transport Ministry after it undertook to put at least one of the vessels under the Israeli flag, with Israeli crews within a year. At the time Weizman said the firm had options to buy both vessels, and intended to use them.

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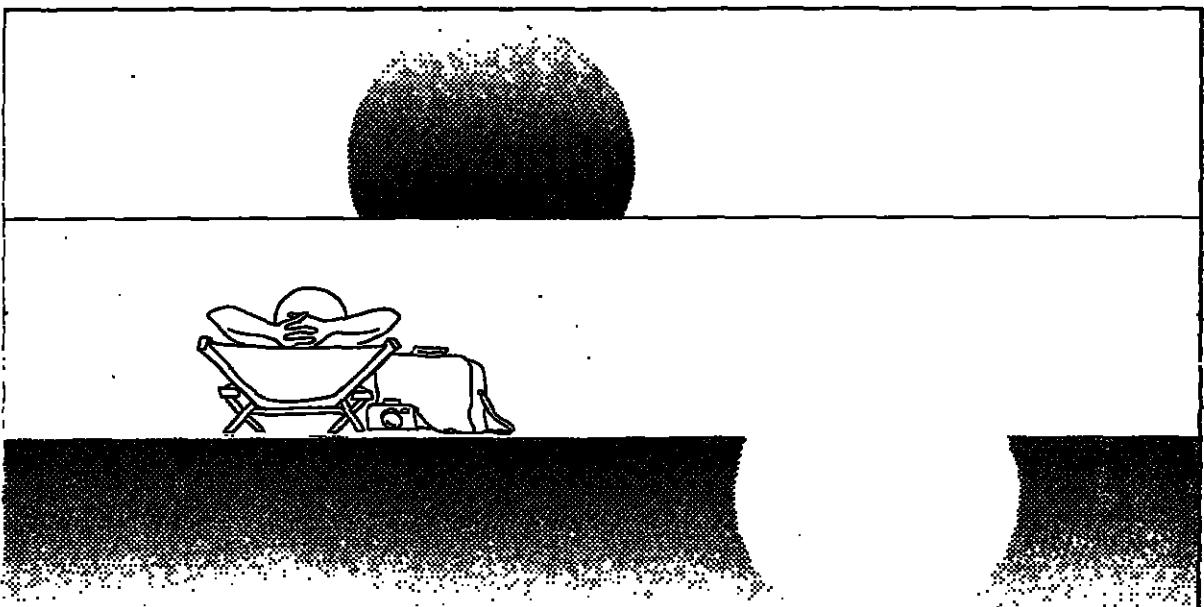
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Jerusalem	Humidity	Yesterday's	Today's
Jerusalem	55	17-21	27
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Safed	53	16-26	28
Haifa Port	64	20-29	28
Tiberias	41	13-24	34
Nazareth	49	18-28	28
Atula	49	22-30	30
Shomron	53	19-28	28
Tel Aviv	60	21-28	28
B-G Airport	58	20-29	28
Jericho	42	20-34	35
Gaza	73	20-28	28
Beersheba	46	17-32	32
Eilat	10	22-36	36

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Dr. George Keyworth, Scientific Adviser to the President of the U.S., now in Israel as guest of Minister of Science and Development, Prof. Yuval Ne'eman, yesterday visited the Weizmann Institute of Science. Dr. Keyworth was greeted at the Institute by its president, Prof. Michael Sela, and also met with senior scientists. Items discussed included increased cooperation between Israeli and American scientists in various spheres, with special emphasis on solar energy.

Philadelphia Mayor and Mrs. William Green and a group of leading members of the Philadelphia Jewish Community yesterday visited the Weizmann Institute of Science, where they were received by the dean of the Biology Department, Prof. Michael Feldman.

The largest day nursery ever built by Wizo will be dedicated today in honour of Ruth Rappaport of Geneva, at a ceremony to be attended by Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek. The nursery, located in the Ramot neighbourhood, will serve 130 pre-school children.

Rabbi Tuvia Ben-Chorin will speak on "What Makes a Festival Festival" at the weekly meeting of Jerusalem Rotary Club at 1 p.m. at the YMCA today.

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determine success or failure in the talks. The State Department at the same time sought to play down the criticism from France of the recently authorized U.S. gunfire from naval vessels off the Lebanese coast. Hughes said the U.S. was cooperating fully with France and the other members of the Multinational Force. "There is close coordination," he said, declining to respond to the criticism more directly.

Regarding the return of the PLO's Yasser Arafat to northern Lebanon, Hughes said it was "illegal," a clear violation of last year's agreement between Lebanon and the PLO, which permitted the Palestinians to leave West Beirut. He denied that the initial Israeli entry into West Beirut last year and the subsequent massacres at Sabra and Shatila had nullified the whole pact — as argued by Arafat. "That doesn't hold water," said Hughes.

In an interview with Newsweek, President Ronald Reagan said he is prepared to use "whatever is necessary" to protect U.S. troops in Beirut.

Asked how much military force he was prepared to use in Lebanon, Reagan told the magazine last week in Washington: "Whatever is necessary to protect our men."

Welcome Back to Israel

Rabbi Israel Goldstein and wife, Bert, New York City and Jerusalem, on their recent trip to America. "Two young octogenarians who are still making their impact on Jewish life in America and Israel."

Rabbi Yaakov Fogelman of Boston and Jerusalem.

Mrs. Elida Freeman, London and Jerusalem.

Mr. George Rosenberg and wife Ruth, son Leonard and daughter Susan, Bergenfield, New Jersey.

Marvin Glover, North Miami Beach, Florida.

Dr. Steven Caplan, Hull, Massachusetts and Hebrew University.

Mr. Sidney Selig and wife, Sylvia of Hull Massachusetts.

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HOME NEWS



German publisher Axel Springer (centre) receives "Trustee of Jerusalem" award from Mayor Teddy Kollek yesterday. With Springer is his wife Friede. (Ruhaimin Israeli)

Axel Springer is 'Trustee of J'lem'

Jerusalem Post Reporter
German publisher Axel Springer, yesterday was awarded the new title of "Trustee of Jerusalem."

The title was created to honour Springer for his contributions to the city. It was awarded in a ceremony in City Hall attended by members of the organizations that have benefited from Springer's contributions.

In a speech delivered after the award was given, Springer recalled that his first contribution to the city

was almost surreptitious. He first visited in 1966 and met Mayor Teddy Kollek. He decided he wished to contribute towards the Israel museum library.

He returned to Germany and learned that many Israelis were unhappy about his planned contribution. Instead of calling off his plan he called Kollek and said he wanted to make a secret contribution because he found the objections "natural."

In yesterday's ceremony, Kollek, remarking on the changed times,

said that Jerusalem's most persistent demonstrator, Yitzhak Shmueli, known for his anti-German sentiment, greeted Springer with a placard reading "Welcome."

Interior Minister Yosef Burg and Israel's first ambassador to Germany, Asher Ben-Natan, both spoke of the parallels between West Berlin and Jerusalem before its unification — a subject of great concern to Springer whose headquarters were built near the Berlin Wall on Jerusalem Street.

FISTFIGHTS AT RISHON LEZION

2-hour strike at central area schools

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Classes at schools in the central region (from Hadera to Gadera) will begin at 10 a.m. today as the Histadrut Teachers Union carries out a two-hour protest strike against what it called "mental and physical violence" in Rishon Lezion.

The strike will not include Rishon Lezion itself, and will not include kindergartens throughout the region. The Secondary School Teachers Association, which favours the reform (junior high

schools), will not take part.

At one school in Rishon Lezion, there was a fist fight between parents who oppose the reform and guards hired by the city to keep the parents out of the schools. The police intervened and broke up the fight.

Histadrut Teachers Union secretary-general Amnon Abramson said yesterday that the union decided not to strike on a national scale because of the approaching Succot vacation, but he threatened a national strike if the dispute in Rishon Lezion is not

settled by the end of the holidays.

Abramson, who was in Rishon Lezion yesterday, condemned the violence being used against teachers and parents in efforts by the municipality and the Ministry of Education to force implementation of the school reform.

A group of junior high-school principals from Tel Aviv and the surrounding area last night offered to open their schools to visits by parents from Rishon Lezion, to prove that integration works and that the junior high schools are a good idea.

Judge Eitan's resignation approved by panel

By ROBERT ROSENBERG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Jerusalem District Court Judge, Dov Eitan's resignation from the bench was accepted yesterday by the Judges' Appointment Committee headed by Justice Minister Moshe Nissim.

Eitan's request to be relieved of his duties came after a leave of absence from the bench since early July, following two controversies that arose last spring.

Eitan said in his letter requesting the resignation that "undesirable

publicity" and his desire to prevent any harm to the judicial system had prompted his resignation.

The two incidents involved his signing a petition calling for the army's withdrawal from Lebanon, and remarks he made justifying vandalism at the Israel Broadcasting Authority.

At the time of the two incidents, which came one after another in the late spring, Nissim considered bringing Eitan before a judicial disciplinary court. But Eitan's decision to take a leave of absence, and then

to resign, prevented the step.

Since the two incidents Eitan has reported telephone threats to his family.

Ministry sources have denied that any pressure had been put on the judge to resign, but they have said that his signature in particular, on the Yesh Gvul petition, raised doubts at the ministry about his conduct as a judge.

Ministry sources close to Nissim last night declined to comment on the matter.

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source, who asked not to be identified.

He also said that at one point the army "was running very short of ammunition" but was resupplied with shells taken directly off ships on the coast and trucked to the village overlooking Beirut.

Druse spokesmen in Beirut, who asked not to be identified by name, claimed to foreign reporters that navy shells landed in about five other towns around Suk al-Gharb including Baissour, where an undetermined number of civilians had been killed.

U.S. officials insisted, however, that the guns were firing at military positions.

"When the Multinational Force came here, it came as a peace-keeping force to take care of civilians," a Druse spokesman said. "Suddenly you see Marines and the U.S. Navy giving help to part of Lebanon against another part."

The 1,200-man U.S. Marine contingent serving at Beirut Airport with the Multinational Peace-keeping Force was put under "Condition One," their highest alert, before the naval barrages were ordered.

The men scammed into sand-bugged bunkers and foxholes with the expectation that artillery from the Druse-controlled Shouf Mountains or from Syrian-controlled territory to the north would retaliate for the U.S. Navy shelling.

It was the third time in the 16-day-old civil war that American Navy ships have fired and first time since Syria warned on Sunday its troops in Lebanon would fire back if shelled by American ground, air or sea forces.

Warrant Officer Charles Rowe of San Francisco, a marine spokesman,

said the marine camp was hit with two rockets before the naval barrage but no one was injured.

Prince Bandar Bin Sultan, the emissary of Saudi Arabian King Fahd who has been trying to negotiate a cease-fire in Lebanon, returned to Damascus for meetings with Lebanese Druse leaders and Syrian Foreign Minister Abdul-Halim Khaddam.

After meeting with Khaddam, the prince told reporters "I am optimistic, but optimistic with reservations" about achieving a cease-fire agreement.

Bandar also met with Druse leader Walid Jumblatt, who heads the Progressive Socialist Party, after the session, an aide quoted Jumblatt as saying:

"The American warships interfered actively on Monday, shelling Druse positions, thus preventing the fall of Suk el-Gharb into PSP hands. This is a dangerous development that has to be reckoned with in any agreement."

The prince's aide in the negotiations, millionaire businessman Rafik Hariri, said Bandar was seeking a cease-fire in place, followed by a national reconciliation conference involving President Amin Jemayel and Druse and Christian leaders.

In Moscow, the Soviet Union charged that "direct military interference" by the U.S. in Lebanon is reducing the chance of a peaceful settlement to Mideast problems. (AP, Reuter)

Israel gives treatment, asylum to Lebanese

Seventy-three Lebanese wounded in the recent fighting have received medical treatment in Israel in recent days.

This was disclosed by the Ministry of the Interior, which also stated that 375 Lebanese refugees had entered the country in the last two days. Forty-eight passed through Israel on their way to other destinations.

In Holon a Lebanese woman was detained yesterday by the police when she was found wandering in the streets. She said she was a Christian and was afraid to return home. Police said she had entered Israel illegally on Yom Kippur and would be returned to Lebanon today.

BOURGUIBA. — Tunisian President Habib Bourguiba left Tunis yesterday for West Germany for a holiday.

Emotional welcome given Arafat

NAHR AL-BARED, Lebanon (Reuter). — PLO leader Yasser Arafat had an emotional hug for everyone when he visited this dusty, seaside refugee camp in northern Lebanon yesterday.

Almost trampled by hundreds of whistling, cheering Palestinians, Arafat embraced toothless old women, teenagers, and even a familiar foreign photographer as he struggled through the crowd.

The scene was typical of the reception he has received from Palestinians in their camps around the port of Tripoli, since he unexpectedly returned to Lebanon last Friday for the first time in three months.

Referring to the fighting around

Beirut, Arafat said it was no coincidence that his return came amid "crucial circumstances" when U.S. ships and French and British aircraft were supporting a four-nation peace-keeping force in the city.

He said the PLO stood "in one trench" with Lebanese anti-government forces fighting the Lebanese army. "We will continue together until victory. This is our faith, our oath."

Hundreds of small girls and boys in olive-green uniforms lined the streets, waving portraits of him as his dark-blue Chevrolet roared into the camp, accompanied by honking car-loads of bodyguards, armed with pistols and rifles.

The children's rhythmic chants of

"We are the generation of the revolution," were drowned by firecrackers and cheers from the adults as Arafat climbed out of the car.

Even with his customary stubby beard shaven clean, the figure clad in military uniform, peaked cap and with a pistol at his side was instantly recognizable to his supporters.

A guard of honour wearing red berets somewhat raggedly presented arms, but their efforts and military pomp were swept away in a stampede.

Bodyguards heaved and shoved at the crowd as Arafat inched his way into a covered courtyard to meet local Palestinian dignitaries and address the gathering.

Hotels lower their prices for 1984

TEL AVIV (Itim). — Israel's hotels have lowered their dollar prices for the first time in 25 years. This was disclosed at a news conference here yesterday by Hotel Association director Moshe Amir.

Amir said that the new rates at the country's hotels from March 1984 to February 1985 will be circulated abroad in a special booklet. Amir praised the Tourism Ministry for producing 50,000 copies of the price-list.

He said that the association is prevented from granting too-large deductions by international agreements, and hoped that all Israeli hotels would abide by their undertakings.

Amir noted that travel agencies plan their bookings 18 months ahead and therefore accurate information on prices is essential. He said that 82 per cent of the country's hotels had either reduced their prices by 15 to 20 per cent, or kept the same prices as last year. The prices are in three categories: peak season, season and off-season.

Red Cross visits captive Israelis

ROME (ITA). — The International Committee of the Red Cross in Geneva has said that its delegates visited the six Israeli prisoners held by the Palestine Liberation Organization on the 15th of this month.

The Red Cross said the visit was carried out according to its regulations. A doctor accompanied the delegates and they were able to speak with the prisoners without their captors present.

Ali blames Israel for autonomy breakdown

CAIRO (Itim). — Foreign Minister Kamal Hassan Ali yesterday blamed Israel for the breakdown of the talks between the two countries on Palestinian autonomy.

He was reacting to the statement by Interior Minister Yosef Burg on Sunday, calling on Egypt to restart the autonomy negotiations.

Ali said that the Israeli approach to autonomy had not encouraged the Palestinians to join the talks. Egypt, he said, would pursue only policies acceptable to the Palestinians.

Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Butros Ghali yesterday said he hoped an Egyptian ambassador would soon return to Tel Aviv. Egypt has made its ambassador's return conditional on an Israeli withdrawal from Lebanon.

Basketball results

Results last night in the second round of National League basketball were:

Hapoel Afula, 93, Betar TA, 85; Hapoel Haifa, 80, Mac. Ramat Gun, 77;

Mac. K. Motzkin, 75, Hapoel Holon, 68;

Mac. TA, 109, Mac. South TA, 71;

Hapoel TA, 90; Mac. Haifa, 86.

Lebanese UN document may be sunk by Soviets

By LEON HADAR
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

UNITED NATIONS. — Lebanon submitted a draft resolution to the Security Council yesterday calling for an immediate cease-fire and for a withdrawal of all foreign forces from the country.

Last week, the council was unable to agree on a draft resolution, due to Soviet opposition. The Soviets, who support pro-Syrian elements in Lebanon, are threatening to veto any resolution calling for a cease-fire and for a withdrawal of foreign forces.

Ghassan Tuani, who is an advisor to Lebanese President Amin Jemayel, and who presented the Lebanese draft resolution in a press conference here, stressed that the draft calls only for the withdrawal of all foreign forces that "do not have

the approval of the government of Lebanon."

Lebanon, he emphasized, supports the role of UNIFIL and the multi-national force in Lebanon. The resolution submitted by Lebanon to the council raises the possibility of a deployment of UN forces in Lebanon and calls on the UN secretary-general to immediately deploy observers who will supervise humanitarian efforts in the country. Tuani stressed, however, that Lebanon does not want the UN forces or the MNF to play any "combat role" in Lebanon.

Tuani said that he believes the Soviet Union will support the draft resolution. However, most observers here believe that Moscow will not do so and that the council will not be able to reach any agreement on a draft resolution that will be acceptable to all sides.

U.S.: If UN wants to go, we won't try to keep it here

UNITED NATIONS (AP). — The U.S. yesterday told other UN members here that if they want to move UN headquarters out of the U.S., it will do nothing to stop them.

U.S. Ambassador Charles Lichtenstein made the remark in the UN Host Country Relations Committee after Soviet delegate Igor Yakovlev complained of conditions put on Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko's travel to New York, leading to the Soviet government's cancellation of Gromyko's annual trip to the General Assembly.

Yakovlev held that the restrictions violated a 1947 agreement

between the U.S. and the UN that says the American "federal, state or local authorities" shall not impede the transit to and from the New York City UN Headquarters district of representatives of UN member countries.

Taking a slap at President Ronald Reagan, he said the action had been "applauded by the head of the U.S. government on television."

Lichtenstein replied that his government had fulfilled its obligations under the headquarters agreement by offering to let Gromyko's plane land at McGuire air force base in New Jersey, which he called "nearby and commodious."

Expert backs Manhat site for stadium

Jerusalem Post Reporter

An independent expert has backed the Jerusalem municipality's recommendation that the capital's football stadium be built in Manhat (Malha) in the southwest part of the city.

Jerusalem city hall has been fighting a rear-guard action against the advocates of the university stadium.

Moshe Galpaz, Israel's leading expert on building sports facilities, called in by the municipality to give his opinion, gave a resounding "no"

to suggestions that the university stadium be used.

Galpaz said that so much work would have to be put into the university stadium that it would have to be entirely rebuilt. It would be better he said to start afresh at Manhat, where there are no parking problems, he said.

Galpaz, who designed the Bloomfield stadium in Ramat Gan, said that no temporary solution would suit the city's needs. He also took into account problems of access to the stadium, and its effect on the neighbourhood.

Quick trials for traffic offenders next month

HERZLIYA (Itim). — Beginning October 1, afternoon traffic courts will operate in six cities to try, within 24 hours, drivers charged with five serious offences.

The cities are Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa, Nazareth, Hadera, and Beersheba. The five offences are failing to yield the right of way, driving in a wrong lane, dangerous overtaking, disregard of a traffic light or a stop sign, and speeding.

Petrol bomb thrown at bus near Bethlehem

A petrol bomb was thrown at an Israeli bus Sunday evening in the Solomon's Pools area near Bethlehem, but the device exploded harmlessly on the road. Security forces were unable to find the attacker.

Sunday night, youths threw stones at cars in Kalandia in Judea and near the Balata refugee camp in Samaria. There was no report of injuries or damage. (Itim)

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Maccabi sick-fund members to pay for visits

By MARGERY GREENFIELD

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Starting on October 1, Kupat Holim Maccabi members will be charged a \$100 fee for visiting a doctor. The fee will be collected by the doctor at the time of the visit, but the payment will cover all subsequent visits during that quarter.

Concurrently, the membership dues paid by a family (two or more persons) will be reduced by \$100 per month, which effectively means that the first three visits to doctors during any quarter entail no extra charges.

This is the first attempt in Israeli public medicine to institute a form of cost-sharing by the patient. We have great hopes, based on similar programmes in the U.S. and

Europe, that efficiency will be increased and that the number of marginal visits to doctors will drop," Kupat Holim Maccabi director Rafi Roter told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.

The collection of this fee will not affect either public medicine's principles of equality or the extension of full services to all members, Roter said. Welfare cases, pensioners entitled to social benefits, the disabled and victims of work accidents are exempt from payment. Moreover, no family unit will have to pay for more than the first six doctors' fees in any given quarter, and this \$600 limit, combined with the \$300 savings in dues, works out to a maximum net cost of \$300 per quarter.

The sick fund, which insures

about 125,000 families (roughly 350,000 people) and covers nearly 10 per cent of the Jewish population, has been considering such a move for several years, Roter said.

In view of the "changes in public medicine" resulting from the doctor's strike, the Maccabi management voted earlier this month to start the experiment, with the approval of the Organization of Kupat Holim Maccabi doctors.

The fund's 1,000 doctors work from their own offices and are paid by the fund according to how many patients they treat. Members are free to choose their own doctors from the fund's list, and can change doctors every quarter.

The fund management obtained the doctors' agreement to the fee-

collection plan by assuring them that if visits to certain specialists or groups of doctors fell off as a result of the fees, the affected doctors would be compensated for the loss.

While no formal approval is necessary either from the Treasury or the Health Ministry for the \$100 fee, both ministries have been informed of the move, Roter said. Observers noted that both ministries are likely to be watching the results of the experiment with great interest, since one of the Treasury's recent money-saving proposals was the introduction of the shekel equivalent of a \$6-\$7 fee for each doctor's visit. This proposal was later rejected during the cabinet discussions on cutting the budget.



Yehoram Gaon (second from left) flashes his famous smile during the taping of a *This is Your Life* programme. To Gaon's right, master of ceremonies Amos Ettinger. To Gaon's left, his former schoolteachers Rama Samsinov and Yitzhak Shalev. (Israel TV)

Gaon will get 'double exposure' on TV

By JUDY SIEGEL

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Israel TV board of directors yesterday decided unanimously that *This is Your Life*, whose next edition is to review the life of singer-actor Yehoram Gaon, will be rebroadcast on Friday afternoon this week and next week for the benefit of Orthodox viewers who will not tune in on Succot.

A protest had been made by Micha Yinon of the National

Religious Party, who said many Orthodox viewers will miss the show, whose first part will be screened tomorrow at 8.30 p.m. and whose second part will be shown next Wednesday at 8.30 p.m. Both days are festivals, when Orthodox Jews do not turn on the TV set.

The show, hosted by Amos Ettinger and including singing and reunions with persons from Gaon's past, will be rebroadcast at 3 p.m. this Friday and the following Friday.

In other news, TV will not conduct a poll of voters during the local elections on October 25 regarding how they would vote in Knesset elections — but it will take samples of voter preference in local contests. The reason given by TV management yesterday was the need to "save money."

The Broadcasting Authority board of directors decided that samples would be taken in the three major cities and in four other localities on election day.

Yael Rom obtains court order; Herut branch in disarray

By DAVID RUDGE

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA — The High Court of Justice yesterday granted Yael Rom an order nisi giving the Minister of the Interior and the Haifa election officer two days to show cause why her list should not be accepted.

Rom, whose nomination papers were disqualified by the election committee last Thursday on a technicality, said she hopes who will be able to run for mayor on her joint list with the Liberals.

Whatever the outcome of Rom's petition to the High Court, it is clear that the agreement between Herut and the Liberals here is dead and that the Herut branch itself is in disarray.

The leadership of the party had all along supported the local Herut chairman, Deputy Knesset Speaker Meir Cohen-Avidov, who until last Thursday was the party's nominee for mayor. He withdrew his candidacy at the 11th hour in favour of Yom-Tov Elkayam, the Herut councillor who crossed over to support Rom but then suddenly returned to

the fold.

The Herut leadership has strongly denied that Elkayam was offered first place on the list to entice him to abandon Rom, a Herut member who decided to run as an independent when Herut denied her the nomination.

Rom scored a major victory over her opponents in the Herut branch by winning the support of the local branch of the Liberal Party, which violated its partnership agreement with Herut by going with Rom.

Cohen-Avidov said it was the insistence of the Liberals on backing Rom that led him to withdraw his own candidacy.

"There is no doubt that the agreement between Herut and the Liberals in Haifa is dead, and for my part I will press strongly for the national agreement to be rescinded," he said.

Cohen-Avidov has emphatically denied Rom's allegations that there was conspiracy at the top to prevent her from getting the Likud nomination. Nevertheless, the Herut branch, fearing that Rom would

receive the Likud's blessing, drew up a separate list, called "Blue and White," to cover such a contingency.

"We brought the two lists with us

just in case there was a last-minute change, but this never happened and Herut, under Tzucki Elkayam, will campaign in the name of the Likud," he said.

Tami candidate blasts 'Ashkenazim'

By DAVID RUDGE

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA — The Tami Party's candidate for mayor, Nahum Menahem, launched his campaign yesterday with an attack on what he called the city's Ashkenazi establishment.

Menahem asserted at a press conference that the Ashkenazim control 99 per cent of the city. Virtually all top jobs in factories, schools, hospitals and the municipality are held by Ashkenazim, he said.

He maintained that Haifa's population was adjusted to the topography, with the Ashkenazim living at the top on Mount Carmel and the majority of the Sephardim in the inferior downtown quarters. Tami would press for integration to unify the city. "If the houses in the

wadis fall so shall the mountain villages," he said.

Menahem also condemned city hall's Alignment-dominated administration, saying that Haifa had become a one-party city (the municipal coalition in fact includes the Likud). The time had come to break the 35 years of uninterrupted Labour rule, he said.

When challenged by reporters about his data, Menahem waved sheets of statistics, which, he said, proved his allegations.

Referring to his recently published book, *Tension and Discrimination in Israel*, which alleges discrimination against Sephardim, he asserted that 90 per cent of those who had criticized it had not read it.

U.S. policy in Lebanon hit by Druse protesters in TA

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV — Scores of Druse held a noisy demonstration outside the U.S. Embassy here yesterday as their spiritual leader Sheikh Amin Tarif met Ambassador Samuel Lewis. Tarif protested against U.S. support for the Lebanese government in its fight against the Syrian and Palestinian-backed Druse in the Shouf mountains.

Tarif complained that the Americans were "actively helping the Christian Phalangists." According to attorney Zaki Kamal, who attended the meeting, Tarif

argued that the Lebanese government of Amin Gemayel does not represent all Lebanese. Assistance to it is "direct aid to the Phalangists," Kamal added.

Lewis promised to transmit the Druse complaints to Washington, but emphasized that the Americans support the legitimate government in Beirut, an Embassy spokesman said.

Outside the Embassy, Druse chanted they would "sacrifice their blood and spirit" for Walid Jumblatt, the leader of the Lebanese Druse militia.

Suspected grenade-thrower detained

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN

Jerusalem Post Reporter

RAMAT GAN — Police here have detained a man for questioning after a grenade that failed to explode was thrown at a couple as they were about to enter the building yesterday afternoon.

Police were notified at 2.45 p.m. that a grenade was lying in the yard of the building. Neighbours told the police that a man living on the second floor had thrown the grenade

at his girlfriend who had been standing in the yard with another man. Just as he threw the grenade, however, the couple entered the building.

The special police anti-terror squad as well as large numbers of Border Police rushed to the building on Rehov Harosh to apprehend the man. Police broke into the apartment and found it empty, but found the suspect at about 4 p.m. hiding in a nearby shelter on Rehov Hibat Zion.

70,000 on TA voter roll are not residents

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV — Some 70,000 registered voters in the Tel Aviv municipal elections are not city residents, Alignment mayoral candidate Dov Ben-Meir said yesterday.

Ben-Meir sent a telegram to State comptroller Yitzhak Tunik, demanding that the election be delayed until this matter is sorted out.

Tel Aviv's adult population is 230,000, according to the city's statistical yearbook, but the number of people registered as having the right to vote in the city's municipal election is about 300,000, he said.

Some 70,000 registered voters or 25 per cent of the total, are former Tel Aviv residents who for some reason continue to be listed as residents, says Ben-Meir.

MD forged papers 'to save marriage'

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV — Police here released on bail a doctor who confessed to forging the signature of his department manager at Wolfson Hospital to get a specialist title in order to save his marriage.

The doctor, an immigrant from the Soviet Union, was sent by the Absorption Ministry in 1981 to work in the hospital urology department for one year, as required

before getting a permit to work as a urologist.

After despairing of getting the certification from his department manager, the doctor forged the manager's signature on an evaluation form he filled out for himself, he told police.

The doctor, who married a nurse he met at the hospital last year, said his wife had nagged him to get the specialist classification. He finally forged the evaluation form "to save my marriage," he said.

Rights of mentally ill to be discussed

By LEA LEVAVI

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV — The plight of mental patients who languish in hospital wards or at home without work or social activities will be one of the topics discussed at an international conference to be held from October 2 to 7 at the Hebrew University's Mt. Scopus campus.

The conference is organized by Enosh, the mental health associa-

tion.

Organizers of the conference hope it will publish a manifesto on the rights of mental patients, which will be presented to the Knesset, the Israeli public, the UN and parliaments around the world. It is also hoped that the symposium will focus public attention on mental health issues and perhaps help improve attitudes towards the mentally ill.

Reagan aide praises Israeli research

BEN-GURION AIRPORT (Itim). — President Ronald Reagan's science adviser said yesterday that Israel fulfills a leading role in applied research out of all proportion to its size.

George Keyworth made this remark as he was leaving after a two-day visit to Israel as the guest of the Science and Development Ministry.

Keyworth said that the U.S. regards cooperation between the two countries as of "the highest importance," and said ways should be found to expand scientific cooperation between Israel and the U.S.

Bomb at Kalkilya bank found in time

KALKILYA (Itim). — A bomb was found at a Bank Leumi branch here yesterday by alert customers. A Border Police sapper exploded the bomb. There were no injuries.

Tank unit to mark role in 1973 war

ACRE (Itim). — An Israel Defence Force reservist armoured brigade which stopped the advance of hundreds of Syrian tanks which were headed towards Lake Kinneret at the outbreak of the Yom Kippur War, will meet in two weeks at the monument in memory of the brigade's fallen men, ten years after the war began.

The resolute stand of some 200 soldiers in the brigade, the first men to arrive at the unit after the reserves were called-up, is said to have bridged the critical gap between the break in the regular army's deployment and the arrival of reservist armoured units, which began to reach the front only on Sunday afternoon.

Since the war, members of the brigade keep up contacts with the families of the fallen members of the unit and memorialize them once a year.

50 arrested in Lachish district drug sweep

ASHKELON (Itim). — About 50 persons were arrested yesterday in the Lachish district in a large operation yesterday against drug dealers, police say. About half of the suspects are from Ashdod.

Additional arrests are expected as a result of the sweep that was carried out by 200 police officers, units of the Border Police and anti-terror units.

Police discovered hashish and Adolan (Methodone) in possession of the suspects. There were no reports of resistance.

Former doctor jailed, fined for practising

TEL AVIV (Itim). — A doctor whose licence had been revoked, yet who gave gynecological treatment to a patient who later experienced pains, was sentenced in district court here yesterday to nine months in jail and fined \$90,000.

David Fleischmann, 59, of Bat Yam, was also found guilty of performing indecent acts during his examinations. Judge David Wallach said he was handing down a heavy sentence, in part to discourage others from practising medicine illegally.

GALILEE. — A drive to encourage Jews to move to the Galilee is to be held in Tel Aviv today, with performances by Galilee entertainment troupes and lectures in schools.

\$500 for a perfect etrog

By HAIM SHAPIRO

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The cost of the four species for Succot, which begins tomorrow night, could come to about \$1,000 this year — but a perfect etrog alone could cost as much as \$500 in Jerusalem's Mea She'arim market.

Sales of the etrog (citron), lulav (palm), hadas (myrtle) and aravot (willows), which are blessed daily (except Shabbat) during the weeklong holiday, began even before Yom Kippur and stepped up yesterday, with crowds around vendors in Mea She'arim and in the Mahaneh Yehuda market.

Prices are generally higher in Mea She'arim where ultra-Orthodox Jews, some of them tourists from abroad, are willing to pay almost unlimited sums for unblemished fruit and branches, from trees which have not been grafted.

For the less finicky, there are etrogim in boxes certified to be kosher for about \$350. As usual, those who are really in search of a bargain can wait until only an hour or two before the holiday begins, when the prices usually drop considerably.

In other preparations for the holiday, the Jerusalem municipality yesterday began giving out leafy branches at distribution points about the city. The Nature Reserves Authority has urged the public not to destroy trees for succot or for the four species.

Betrothal ring leads to arrest of brothers for killing

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Two villagers from Kafr Kassem were charged in the local district court yesterday with the killing of their 17-year-old sister to preserve family honour.

Police said that Salah Bdir, 33, and his brother Ibrahim, 25, confessed to the murder of their sister Najah, who they said had been seeing a number of men. The police and the brothers' attorney agreed on a charge of manslaughter, rather than murder.

Petah Tikva police commander Ya'acov Barda testified that Najah

Bdir of Kafr Kassem was reported missing in mid-July and that the body of a girl was found three weeks later near Moshav Hagar nearby.

Police questioned 12 members of the girl's family, who failed to identify the body. But a ring on a gold chain around the neck of the dead girl was inscribed with the name Ma'azura, who turned out to be a Kafr Kassem woman betrothed to a member of the Bdir family.

Confronted with the evidence of the ring, the man admitted that he had given it to his sister Najah for safe-keeping. The family then identified the body as that of Najah.

Emanuel to get settlers within a fortnight

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Some 120 families will move into Emanuel in a fortnight to form the nucleus of what is expected to become the biggest Jewish town in Samaria, Pithas Erenrich director-general of Kokhav Hashomron building com-

pany told a press conference here. The population is expected to total 350 families by the end of October. So far more than 900 flats have been sold, Erenrich said. Some 150 of these flats were sold to Jews in the U.S., England and Belgium and 25 of those families are already in absorption centres in Israel.

Further remand for Haifa murder suspects

HAIFA (Itim). — The local

magistrate's court yesterday extended the detention of two suspects in the murder of Gavriel Edri, whose body was found at Tirat Carmel a month ago.

The court ordered the extension of Ziona Lehani's arrest for nine

days and the extension of David Biton's for a further six days. Lehani, according to the police, is the girlfriend of suspect Eliahu Elbaz. A police representative told the court that she was covering up for her friend. Elbaz has already had his detention extended for 10 days.



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4th Soviet mini-sub joins search for 'black box' of Korean airliner

WAKKANAI, Japan. — A fleet of 19 Soviet ships, aided by four submersible vehicles, intensified its search yesterday for debris from the South Korean airliner that Soviet warplanes shot down near Sakhalin Island on September 1.

The Soviet fleet, operating in international waters near U.S., Japanese and South Korean search vessels, appeared to be "getting busy" said a Japanese Maritime Safety Agency official monitoring Soviet activity.

MSA officials said three more submersible vehicles were added yesterday to the lone mini-submarine in operation since last week, but there was no indication that the Soviets had located the principle target of the hunt — the airliner's "black box," or flight data recorder (see report below).

That instrument, carried in the tail of the aircraft, might contain tapes of cockpit conversations that would help unravel the mystery of why Korean Air Lines Flight 007 strayed into Soviet airspace before it was downed by Soviet heat-seeking missiles.

American ships in the area, north of Moneron Island just west of

Sakhalin, carry special equipment to probe the depths of the sea for debris from the Boeing 747 jumbo jet.

Neither the Soviet nor the U.S. authorities have released any details on their search efforts.

Four South Korean trawlers joined at least four U.S. ships and three MSA vessels near Moneron while a large fleet of Japanese patrol vessels and aircraft continued a widespread search in the Sea of Okhotsk, along the northeast coast of Hokkaido, where currents have deposited some of the wreckage.

More than 700 items believed to be from the downed plane, including five badly mutilated bodies and several pieces of human flesh, have been recovered, MSA officials said. Japanese searchers reported finding more debris yesterday, including a piece of cabin wall and a chunk of lightweight metal alloy.

In Moscow yesterday, the official news agency TASS said that the South Korean airliner had been working in close cooperation with an American spy satellite.

TASS said the jumbo jet deliberately delayed its takeoff from

Anchorage, Alaska, on the last leg of the journey to Seoul by 40 minutes to "strictly synchronize the approach of the plane to Kamchatka and Sakhalin with the flight of the American intelligence satellite Ferret-D."

The news agency said that the satellite appeared above the Soviet Union at exactly the same time as the South Korean airliner strayed off course into Soviet airspace.

"It was positioned above the Kamchatka region when the South Korean aircraft began the second stage of its reconnaissance flight above Soviet strategic objectives in the southern part of the Kamchatka peninsula," TASS said.

The agency said that the jumbo was part of an espionage complex made up of the Boeing itself, equipped with special electronic spying devices, and at least four U.S. reconnaissance aircraft, several naval vessels and the satellite.

It was significant, TASS said, that there were 29 crew members on board the doomed Boeing instead of the normal complement of 18, and it asked, "Who were these extra 11 people?" (AP, Reuters)



U.S. Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger (right) escorts Field Marshal Abdel Abu-Ghazala, deputy prime minister and minister of defense and war production of Egypt up the steps past the honour guard as he arrives at the Pentagon in Washington yesterday. (UPI telephoto)

Iran claims new advance into Iraq's Kurdish area

TEHRAN (Reuters). — Iran says its forces have advanced tens of kilometres into a sensitive region of northern Iraq, capturing heights and crossing a river in an operation that began on Friday night.

The national news agency IRNA quoted a military communiqué Sunday night as saying the assault had been mounted north of the Iranian border town of Marivan.

This is in the Kurdish Mountains, home of tribal bands opposed to the Iraqi government and the scene of a successful Iranian push into Iraq in July.

Marivan is also one of the closest points in Iran to Iraq's northern oil fields. Less than 50 kilometres

across the border lies the Kurdish provincial capital of Sulaimaniyah, and 100km. further west along a main road is the Iraqi oil centre of Kirkuk.

The operations in the Kurdish Mountains have opened a new dimension in the three-year-old gulf war, since for the first time the Iraqis have spoken openly of fighting side by side with Iraqi Kurds and other dissidents opposed to the Baghdad government.

Official reports said the Tehran-based "Supreme Assembly for the Islamic Revolution of Iraq" decided in August to establish its first military base inside Iraq in territory seized during the July offensive.

Walesa now says Solidarity should not drop its name

WARSAW (AP). — Lech Walesa on Sunday retracted his endorsement of an underground bulletin which quoted him as saying that supporters of the outlawed Solidarity labour movement should drop the Solidarity banner and form regional union cells.

The interview, carried in the Warsaw underground publication CDN, which means "To Be Continued" in Polish — acknowledged that it was printed "without the knowledge or consent" of Walesa.

Walesa said on Friday that the article accurately represented his views. On Sunday, however, he issued a statement by telephone retracting his remarks.

"I, Lech Walesa, hereby declare that I have granted no interview, nor made any statement to CDN," the 39-year-old Solidarity chairman said. "The interview it carried is a

hodgepodge of themes discussed in different places and does not represent my position.

"Simultaneously, I declare that I did not clear these themes, and did not even discuss them, with any representative of the Church."

The underground publication quoted Walesa as saying that, "this after all is not entirely coming from me. I have my advisers. I listen to them and esteem them."

Western and Polish observers noted that in recent months Walesa, who is under heavy pressure from Poland's Communist authorities, has made tough statements and later backed away from them. The pressure against him includes strident attacks in the state-run media, constant heavy police surveillance and, earlier this year, repeated detentions and interrogations by the authorities.

Soviet satellite burns up

MOSCOW (AP). — A satellite, docked for five months to the orbiting Salyut-7 space station, has burned up in the atmosphere after leaving the space station more than a month ago, TASS reported yesterday.

It said the Cosmos 1443 satellite released a transport capsule with data from the space station before it was incinerated in the atmosphere. The transport capsule landed safely on earth, the official news agency said.

Cosmos 1443, launched March 2 and docked with the then-unmanned space station March 10,

"ceased its existence" after entering dense layers of the atmosphere over "a prescribed area of the Pacific Ocean" early yesterday, TASS said.

The satellite was jettisoned from the Salyut-7 August 14 in a maneuver carried out by cosmonauts Vladimir Lyakhov and Alexander Alexandrov, who hooked up with the Salyut-7 June 28 some 24 hours after being blasted into space aboard Soyuz T-9.

After the Cosmos was jettisoned, the Progress 17 craft was launched and docked with 2,000 kilos of fuel and other supplies for the Salyut August 19.

Italian stages his own funeral

POGGIO NATIVO, Italy (AP). — An 87-year-old man, "dying to see what his funeral would be like," organized a mock funeral and a procession from his church to a cemetery, complete with a band playing solemn music.

Aleandro Polverari, a retired local government employee, wore a black three-piece suit and a hat and walked on Sunday at the head of the procession of a band, family members and relatives and nearly 200 cars, police said.

"I wanted to see who'd come to my funeral, and what it would be like," Polverari told reporters in this central Italian village near Rieti, north of Rome.

"Maybe all these people wouldn't come to my real funeral, but it's nice to see so many people following me."

There was no funeral mass — the priest refused to celebrate one — and no coffin. Polverari said he was "not quite ready to crawl into a wooden box."

NATO starts Rhine River exercise

WANSUM, Netherlands (AP). — The largest river-crossing in NATO military history began here yesterday, almost 39 years to the day after the allied river-crossing disaster at nearby Arnhem, during World War II.

American, British and Dutch units were building bridges and piloting ferries to move up to 300 heavy tanks across the Maas and

Rhine rivers on their way into West Germany.

The crossing, at three southeastern Netherlands points on the river Maas, and another six on the Rhine in West Germany, are part of "Autumn Forge," a two-month-long set of maneuvers involving more than 250,000 allied troops in Western Europe.

Caribbean islands gains independence

BASSETTERRE, St. Kitts (AP). — The tiny Caribbean islands of St. Kitts and Nevis became the world's newest nation at midnight, gaining independence from Britain, after a day-long celebration on Sunday, attended by dignitaries from all over the world.

At midnight, the Union Jack came down, and at 12:01 a.m. yesterday St. Kitts-Nevis became the 12th nation formed from British

colonies in the Caribbean since 1962.

An estimated 20,000 people — nearly half the islands' population — burst into applause and cheers as their new green, red, yellow and black flag was raised. British, U.S. and Venezuelan frigates, along with smaller ships from France and Trinidad and Tobago, fired salutes and sounded sirens from the harbour here.

Bush: Talks can continue after missiles deployed

BUDAPEST (Reuters). — U.S. Vice-President George Bush, the highest-ranking American official ever to visit Communist-ruled Hungary, arrived yesterday for a two-day stay.

Bush flew here from Bucharest where he had long talks with Rumanian President Nicolae Ceausescu on international issues and bilateral economic questions.

In Bucharest, Bush said Soviet-U.S. arms talks in Geneva could continue even after the planned deployment of new NATO nuclear weapons in Western Europe beginning in December.

Bush said the deployment date had been set, but the Western alliance would continue to talk while holding out the threat of new weapons. The Geneva negotiations on reducing medium-range missiles are due to end in November, and NATO has said it will start stationing cruise and Pershing-2 missiles one month later should an accord not be reached.

Bush told a news conference here: "We'll stay there (at the Geneva talks) past November... we'll stay there as long as it takes, before or after." He added that even if NATO went ahead with its deployment plans, the missiles could be withdrawn under a later agreement.

Bush said he would take back new suggestions from Ceausescu to President Ronald Reagan on the Middle East problem, but declined to give details.

Rumania is the only East Bloc country with diplomatic relations with Israel, and Palestine Liberation Organization chairman Yasser Arafat has been a frequent visitor to Bucharest. Rumanian officials have said their government has contacted the main parties to the Lebanon dispute and is ready to contribute to a solution of the crisis there.

France to deliver fighters to Iraq

PARIS (Reuters). — External Relations Minister Claude Cheysson confirmed yesterday that France would go ahead with the delivery of five Super-Etendard fighter planes to Iraq.

Interviewed by French Television, he said France would respect the contract signed for delivery of the planes, but declined to say when they would be delivered.

French television said on Sunday that delivery of the five planes, believed to be imminent last week, had been postponed, and Paris newspapers reported that the government was under pressure from other western nations to hold up the deal.

Iran has threatened to retaliate if the planes, armed with Exocet missiles, are handed over to Baghdad for use in the Gulf War.

National Football

NEW YORK (AP). — Morten Andersen's 41-yard field goal 10:57 into overtime ruined exceptional performances by Chicago's Walter Payton and Willie Gault and boosted New Orleans to a 34-31 National Football League victory in Sunday's game.

Sunday's Games: New Orleans 34, Chicago 31, OT; Green Bay 27, Los Angeles Rams 24; Pittsburgh 40, Houston 28; San Francisco 42, St. Louis 27; New England 23, New York Jets 13; Washington 27, Kansas City 12; Atlanta 30, Detroit 14; Buffalo 28, Baltimore 23; Philadelphia 13, Denver 10; Seattle 34, San Diego 31; Dallas 28, New York Giants 13; Minnesota 19, Tampa Bay 16, OT.

THE AMERICAN CONFERENCE standings show, EAST: Miami 2-0; Buffalo 2-1; Baltimore 1-2; New England 1-2; NY Jets 1-2. CENTRAL: Cleveland 2-1; Pittsburgh 2-1; Cincinnati 0-3; Houston 0-3.

WEST: LA Raiders 2-0; Denver 2-1; Seattle 2-1; Kansas City 1-2; San Diego 1-2.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE — EAST: Dallas 3-0; Philadelphia 2-1; Washington 2-1; NY Giants 1-2; St. Louis 0-3.

CENTRAL: Green Bay 2-1; Minnesota 2-1; Chicago 1-2; Detroit 1-2; Tampa Bay 0-3.

WEST: Atlanta 2-1; LA Rams 2-1; New Orleans 2-1; San Francisco 2-1.

Sports

St. Louis blues as Carlton strikes on

NEW YORK (AP). — The Philadelphia Phillies edged into first place in the National League East with a 5-3 victory over St. Louis while the Los Angeles Dodgers held their ground in the West despite losing 6-3 to San Francisco in Sunday's keynote baseball action.

Ivan DeJesus' seventh-inning squeeze bunt scored the winning run as the Phillies ground down the Cardinals for Steve Carlton's 299th career victory. The Phillies vaulted ahead of the Pittsburgh Pirates, who lost 5-2 to the Montreal Expos as Al Oliver and Terry Francona cracked RBI hits in a two-run fifth.

Carlton, 34-15, gave up eight hits in seven innings, struck out seven and walked three to move within one of the 300-victory plateau, a level reached by only 15 other pitchers. Carlton's strike outs gave the Major League's all-time strikeout leader 3,690 for his career, or 29 more than runner-up Nolan Ryan of the Houston Astros.

Sunday's Results
AMERICAN LEAGUE: Cleveland 10, New York 6 and 8-13; Detroit 9, Boston 6; Baltimore 10, Milwaukee 9; Chicago 6, Seattle 6; Oakland 6, Kansas City 2; Texas 7, California 6.
NATIONAL LEAGUE: Philadelphia 5, St. Louis 3; Montreal 5, Pittsburgh 2; San Diego 4, Atlanta 2 (13 innings); Houston 4, Cincinnati 1; San Francisco 6, Los Angeles 3.

Pennant Race Standings
NL EAST
W L Pct. GB
Philadelphia 79 70 .530 —
Pittsburgh 78 71 .523 1
Montreal 76 72 .514 2½
St. Louis 73 75 .493 5½

NL WEST
W L Pct. GB
Los Angeles 85 64 .570 —
Atlanta 81 67 .547 3½
Houston 78 70 .527 6½

AL EAST
W L Pct. GB
Baltimore 91 56 .619 —
Detroit 83 64 .570 7
New York 83 65 .561 8½

Chicago have clinched the AL West title.

Irrepressible Gavaskar

BANGALORE (Reuters). — Indian opener Sunil Gavaskar moved within one century of Sir Donald Bradman's World Test record of 29 hundreds as the first cricket Test against Pakistan finished on a sour note here yesterday. Gavaskar hit an unbeaten 103 in an unbroken first wicket stand of 176 with Anshuman Gaekwad before the game petered out to a predictable draw.

It was the prospect of Gavaskar scoring his 28th Test century which led to controversy. At the end of the 14th over of the mandatory 20 in the final hour, Gavaskar was 87 not out and Pakistan captain Zaheer Abbas led his team off the field.

The umpires and the two batsmen, Gavaskar and Gaekwad, remained in the middle after the umpires had made a vain attempt to get the Pakistanis to complete the mandatory 20 overs. Zaheer contended that the minimum 77 overs per day required by the playing conditions had been completed and that as no possibility remained of either side winning, there was no point in playing on. The umpires pointed out that the 77 overs clause did not apply to the last day when the over-riding factor was the 20-overs rule.

Eventually, after protracted argument the listless Pakistanis trooped out to play the remaining six overs and it was from the first ball of the final over that Gavaskar reached his hundred. Ironically, the umpires did not insist that the remaining five balls of the over be bowled.

FINAL SCORES: India 275 and 176-0; Pakistan 288.

Festival tennis

TEL AVIV. — A total of 1500 players aged 7-75 will take part in the Israel Tennis Association's traditional Succot National championships, for youth, adults and veterans.

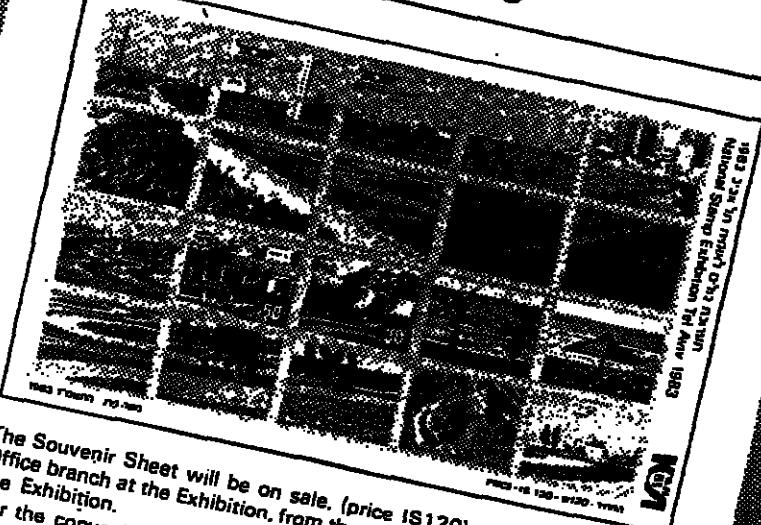
The three weeks of competition start tomorrow when the junior event gets under way at the Israel Tennis Centre's Ramat Hasharon and Jaffa courts.

The men's event will comprise qualifying rounds and a 32-strong main draw with Shlomo Glickstein defending his national title for the 10th straight year.

A record 110 men and women players have entered the senior (over-35) and veteran (over-45) tournaments.

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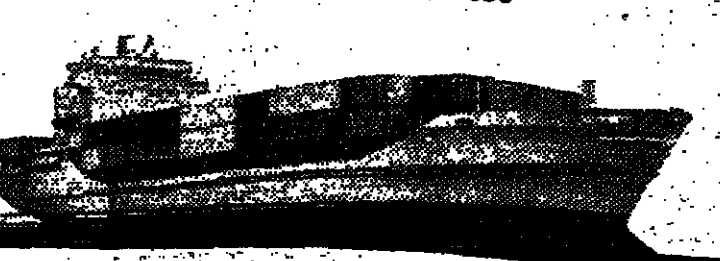
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'A most disgraceful item...'

Roald Dahl tells The Post's Hyam Corney that it is 'absolute rubbish' to call his recent article anti-Semitic

PAUL JOHNSON, one of Britain's most respected journalists, branded it as "the most disgraceful item to appear in a respectable British publication for a long time."

The item to which Johnson was referring in an article he wrote in the right-wing weekly magazine, *The Spectator*, which is not normally known as a vehicle for the expression of pro-Israel or pro-Jewish sentiments, was the now infamous contribution by author Roald Dahl to the August issue of *The Literary Review*.

Dahl, best known for his *Tales of the Unexpected*, which Israel TV has now decided to ban, was asked to review a book on the Lebanese war entitled *God Cried* by Tony Clifton. The book was not exactly pro-Israel, Dahl's review was much worse. Many regard it as pure anti-Semitism.

Paul Johnson called Dahl's article, which ran to almost 4,000 words, "an extended comparison of the Israelis, and by implication the Jewish race as a whole, with the German Nazis." The crudity of Dahl's thoughts and the violence of his expressions, Johnson continued in his article headed "an affront to decency" could have been prompted "only by grotesque ignorance."

It was full of "racial abuse which is, thank God, rare in British journalism these days."

And Johnson concluded with this appeal: "The most effective action the civilized community can take is for reputable writers to refuse to be associated with a journal which publishes such filth." Some writers, it is rumoured, are contemplating taking Johnson's advice.

Just what did Dahl write that has caused such outrage here? He began his piece with a lengthy per-

sonal reminiscence. "In June 1941, I happened to be in, of all places, Palestine, flying with the RAF against the Vichy French and the Nazis."

"Hitler happened to be in Germany and the gas chambers were being built and the mass murder of the Jews was beginning. Our hearts bled for the Jewish men, women and children and we hated the Germans." So far, so good. A promising start indeed. But the tone quickly changes.

Dahl continues, "Forty-one years later, in June, 1982, the Israel forces were streaming northwards out of what used to be Palestine into Lebanon and the mass slaughter of the inhabitants began. Our hearts bled for the Lebanese and Palestinian men, women and children and we all started hating the Israelis."

"Never before in the history of man has a race of people switched so rapidly from being much-pitied victims to barbarous murderers. Never before has a race of people generated so much sympathy around the world and then in the space of a lifetime, succeeded in turning that sympathy into hatred and revulsion. It is as though a group of much-loved nuns in charge of an orphanage had suddenly turned around and started murdering all the children."

"That should be enough to give an idea of the views of Roald Dahl. But a few more extracts will complete

the picture.

Talking about the establishment of the State of Israel, he says that "The Jews came pouring in with American money and American guns... and out went the Palestinians."

Menachem Begin is described as "a murderous young terrorist who was blowing up British soldiers... this is the man who now screams 'terrorist' at Palestinians who fight to regain what he has stolen from them." In June of last year the world saw "a new and violently aggressive Israel whose forces moved into Lebanon and murdered more than 25,000 people, mostly civilian men, women and children, in a policy of 'deliberate mass murder.'"

And so it continues, with each sentence as vicious and sickening as those quoted above. Until towards the end, believe it or not, it becomes even worse.

For example: "Brigand nations never survive forever. In the end the whole world turns against them. Hitler never grasped this fact either. Mr. Begin and Mr. Sharon are almost the exact carbon copies in miniature of Mr. Hitler and Mr. Goering. They are equally short-sighted and no less bloodthirsty." Begin and Sharon, Dahl adds, and a number of other Israeli leaders, should be brought up on some sort of Nuremberg trial for crimes against humanity.

And he concludes: "Now is the time for the Jews of the world to follow the example of the Germans (who became anti-Nazi) and become anti-Israel. But do they have the conscience? And do they, I wonder, have the guts? Or must Israel, like Germany, be brought to her knees before she learns how to behave in this world?"

The Literary Review is a monthly publication which is virtually unknown outside its small circulation of some 7,000. The publicity which the Dahl controversy aroused will clearly do it no commercial harm. Its owner is a Palestinian, Naim Attallah. Neither he nor his editor nor Dahl himself had the slightest regrets about the article when I spoke to them this week.

Attallah told me that he was born in Haifa in 1983 but has been living in England since 1949, where he has become a successful publisher and theatrical and film impresario. His mother and sister still live in Haifa. The last time he went to Israel was six years ago when his father died.

He claims that he is not political. "I don't have a flair for politics," he told me, though he did admit that "of course" he was anti-Zionist and he has "great sympathy for the Palestinians in their plight."

He does not, he says, use the magazine to push his own views. "The editor decides what to publish but with any article of a controver-

sial nature which is likely to cause a row, she talks to me. She consulted me over the Dahl article because we realized that it was a strong piece."

But Attallah rejected the charge that it was anti-Semitic. "If I thought it was anti-Semitic I would not have published it. I'm the last one to talk to about anti-Semitism. The Arabs and the Jews are both Semitic people."

He was not surprised by the furor which followed the publication of the article "because if you express strong feelings you expect strong reaction from the other side. In any case I believe that a healthy debate is far better than resorting to violence. It is an essential part of democracy that people should be free to express their own views."

The editor of the literary review is Gillian Greenwood, who has been in the job for almost two years. She told me that she realized that the article would cause a fuss but "I thought that he should be allowed to express his view. I have no regrets about publishing it."

Asked whether Attallah controlled the magazine's editorial policy, Miss Greenwood merely replied: "No more than the proprietor of any other publication would. But you had better ask him about that."

But she did reveal that she would "rather unlikely" that she would call on Dahl to write again. "Not on that subject, anyway."

When I spoke to Dahl himself he

was reluctant to talk. In fact, he told me, he had just declined a request from the *Jewish Chronicle* for an interview. This was not because he was ashamed of his views or had anything to hide. On the contrary, his reluctance stemmed from the simple fact that he is preparing another article (he doesn't know where or when it will be published), setting out his view more clearly. But he finally agreed to talk to me.

Roald Dahl is aged 67. He is the son of Harald Dahl and Sofie Magdalene Hesselberg, according to *Who's Who*, which may explain his remark to me when denying allegations of anti-Semitism, that "I have Jewish ancestry myself." He would not elaborate — but intends to do so in his planned article.

He was educated at public schools and, during the war, served with the No. 8 fighter squadron in the Western Desert. He also fought in Syria in 1941 and the following year he was assistant air attaché in Washington. In 1943 he became a wing-commander.

Like *Tales of the Unexpected*, much of his writing has been of the thriller variety for which he has won several awards. He has also written film screen plays (including the James Bond film *You Only Live Twice* and *Chitty Chitty Bang Bang*). He lives in Buckinghamshire not far from London and lists his hobbies as "gaming, cultivating orchids, drinking fine wine, collecting paintings,

furniture and antique objects of all kinds."

He told me that he was not worried by the Israel TV ban. He wrote only the first 22 episodes of *Tales* which were shown in Israel some time ago and none of the subsequent stories in that series had anything to do with him and bring him no income. "So it will not harm me, but I think it is the worst thing to do to ban someone with whom you disagree. The Nazis did the same thing."

It was "absolute rubbish" to call his article anti-Semitic, though "Yes it was anti-Israeli, but I'm anti anyone who kills. I'm simply against mass bombing and killing. I felt the same about Vietnam but I wasn't called anti-American."

Nor was he, he would have us believe, against the idea of a Jewish State. "But I am against taking land away from the Palestinians. That will not solve the problem, will it?"

"I am only against that state when it becomes extremely aggressive," added Dahl, who revealed that he had not been "back to Palestine since it became Israel."

He was not, he said finally, "a political bird at all. I'm a very reasonable chap. It's just that having fought in war, I've seen enough killing."

Sir John Wolf, head of drama at Anglia Television, who directed *Tales of the Unexpected* from the start, has a different view of this "reasonable chap." Sir John, who is Jewish, told me that he regarded the Dahl article in the *Literary Review* as "outrageous and disgusting."

I never thought he was anti-Semitic when I worked with him, but he must have been.

"If I saw him coning down the street today, I would cross over."

the Mitla Pass during the 1956 Sinai Campaign, when a certain general was ordered not to attack the pass, if he found it occupied by the Egyptians. He did so, nonetheless.

During the Yom Kippur War, the same general "decided" — against orders — to cross the Suez Canal and establish a bridgehead on the other side.

I often wonder whether we would have lost the Sinai Campaign had we bypassed the Mitla, or the Yom Kippur War, had that general decided from crossing the canal in 1973. His bulldog tenacity was later praised.

IN THE GOOD old days, when things were still settled by duels, the wronged party had the choice of weapons. He naturally chose those most suited to his ability.

If all these allegations are mere mud-slinging, why doesn't somebody get up and bring the mud-slingers to court?

Many things were left unsaid in these anniversary programmes. It made me feel very insecure — for the first time in 35 years of the state.

A tragic pretence

By WERNER ZWICK Munich

was halved in 1937, and cut out altogether later in the war.

JEWS IN THE Auschwitz extermination camp were not allowed to write at all, except in a collective "Jewish letter action" organized by the Gestapo every few months, the book says. In Buchenwald, inmates were limited to one note every four months.

In many camps, Jewish prisoners were forbidden to sign and send a collective letter every few months, thus providing the authorities with the addresses of relatives who were not yet in ghettos or concentration camps.

In an apparent effort to portray prisoner treatment as humane,

privileged inmates were allowed to send postcards they painted at a shop in Auschwitz.

Deaths of inmates were camouflaged as normal occurrences, often listed as heart failure or failure of the circulatory system, Mozdzan says. In the pre-war years, relatives were required to send 72 pennings (then about 20 cents) to the concentration camps to get a copy of the death certificate.

"There was little information available to the average German about the goings on behind the barbed wire of the camps," says Mozdzan, 36, a Polish-born computer engineer.

"On the basis of postal exchanges, virtually nothing could pass to the outside," he says. "Even the few letters smuggled out did not reveal much more."

The pretence of legality was maintained until the final stages of the war, Mozdzan says, adding that later letter campaigns focused on the dozens of camps that housed criminals and political prisoners, rather than on extermination camps.

(Associated Press News Service)

OUR SAGES said we should "afflict our souls" on Yom Kippur. And to make sure we weren't distracted from doing just that, the radio, together with just about everything else, shut down early Friday afternoon, leaving us with a pregnant, introspection-inducing silence.

I won't say the radio's observance of the 10th anniversary of the Yom Kippur War was a deliberate substitute for the prescribed dose of self-inflicted discomfort — but it came close.

The anniversary should, of course, be observed and given its proper niche in the history of this country. But when it comes to an exploitation of the day by people bent on exonerating themselves, and when what has become known as "the war of the generals" is carried over into our homes, I draw the line.

Listening in to the half-dozen or so programmes listeners were subjected to, I was shattered — and this is hardly an exaggeration — by the exhibitionism and the accusations that some generals were more intent on displaying their military prowess than obeying orders.

Afflictions and anniversaries

LISTENING IN.../Ze'ev Schaf

MY EARLIER impressions of the tragic developments during the Yom Kippur War had been overlaid by the subsequent military recovery on all fronts, the stemming of the tide and the ultimate repelling of the invaders during the war's second phase.

Generals are not infallible. Mistaken conclusions, poor intelligence and lack of command experience are things I can understand, though not necessarily condone. Officers and others were brought to account for their lapse. Reprimands and punishments were meted out. All this took place largely behind closed doors, and the majority of us assumed that justice had taken its course.

Now it appears things were much

more involved than we had been given to understand.

A CONCLUDING theory ("Military lessons we have learned from the war") was slated for a repeat broadcast by the army station at 11 o'clock last night. I, for one, would have preferred music or literature — just about anything else.

I'm sick and tired of listening to stories about generals who saved our national bacon by taking matters into their own hands, regardless of the consequences. And who were the ultimate sufferers of any consequences?

I am reminded of a long list of "initiatives" taken by senior officers since the War of Independence. There was the "famous" incident of

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December 31, 1982		June 30, 1983	June 30, 1982	December 31, 1982		June 30, 1983	June 30, 1982
	Audited		Unaudited		Audited		Unaudited
7,217,338	Loans	11,158,289	2,477,643	109,909	Capital Reserves and Surplus	167,394	74,227*
66,782	Deposits	362,480	17,850	52,800	Non-convertible Capital Notes	60,720	53,700
51,404	Securities	76,123	32,449	37,769	Perpetual Debentures	22,845	26,498
54,879	Buildings	54,829	46,599	23,894	Debentures	19,150	23,083
15,459	Other Accounts	25,061	15,734*	7,121,890	Deposits for Granting of Loans	11,387,565	2,363,700
				59,600	Creditors and Credit Balances	19,108	49,067*
		11,676,782	2,590,275			11,676,782	2,590,275
7,405,862				7,405,862			

Condensed Statement of Profit and Loss

(in IS thousands)

	For six months ending June 30, 1983	June 30, 1982
	Unaudited	
Operating Profit before Taxes on Income	68,586	37,650
Provision for Taxes on Income	11,100	8,900*
Net Profit	57,486	28,750

*Restated.

Moda'i: Coal production must be streamlined

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Minister of Energy and Infrastructure Yitzhak Moda'i said yesterday that coal producing countries must make every effort to streamline methods of mining and transporting coal. In this way overall prices could be reduced, he said.

Moda'i was speaking at the three day International Coal Conference which opened at the Hilton Hotel here yesterday, organized by the Israel National Coal Supply Corporation.

Moda'i added that if the price of oil in the world market dropped to \$18 per barrel (which is the economic price of producing it in the North Sea), coal would not be able to compete.

Over 350 delegates, including 100 from abroad, are attending the conference. The participants are seeking answers to questions raised when countries like Israel convert from oil to coal as a source of energy.

Some of the questions the conference hopes to answer are: do abundant international coal



Yitzhak Moda'i (IPPA)

resources assure security and stability of supply? How will changing oil and gas prices affect coal? Can coal be burned cleanly? Why is coal so expensive to transport and handle? What is the relationship between coal quality and combustion efficiency? Will new technology make coal easier and cheaper to use, and what are the

comparative economics of converting to coal or staying in oil?

Yesterday's sessions dealt with supply sources and supply security; shipping, handling and quality control. Today's sessions will deal with the technical economic aspects of coal use and the impact of new technology. Tomorrow the participants will go on a professional tour of the Hadera coal port.

Donald Davies, of Britain's National Coal Board, said at the opening of the conference that the NCB will continue helping Israel as it makes its first steps in the use of coal. Israel is becoming an important customer, he said.

David Hagoel, the chairman of the Electric Corporation, said that already three out of four units in the Hadera power station are using coal as their source of energy and by next June all four units will run on coal.

This means that about 50 per cent of all the electrical energy in the country will be produced from coal. Hagoel expects this to bring a 17 per cent fall in the cost of producing electricity.

Local market displacing export sector, says Patt

TEL AVIV. — The wheels of industry are turning at top speed, industry and Trade Minister, Gideon Patt, said yesterday, but too much production is geared for the local market.

Speaking on Army radio, Patt said products intended for the local market were by no means in short supply, whereas the export market is being neglected.

Patt warned that this development could cause grave problems in the future. "Those who worry about tomorrow must be aware that such a development could be very dangerous," he said.

Patt said that in the first nine months of this year, export profitability fell only very slightly. However, he said, there was a fear among exporters that various unfavourable steps which could lead to a marked drop in profitability in the last quarter of the year were being considered by the Treasury.

Patt said that he had spoken with



Gideon Patt (Aliza Auerbach)

Treasury officials, and with the finance minister in particular, and that they had agreed to freeze measures that may have an adverse effect on exporters. (Itim)

Mideast Oil block could devastate west

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — A cutoff of oil from the Middle East Gulf would be devastating to the west, which would be unable to avoid the resultant economic crisis except by military means, according to a newly-released congressional study.

Senator Carl Levin, a Michigan Democrat, released the report he commissioned two years ago, describing it as "the most comprehensive and sobering analysis to date" of U.S. reliance on Middle East oil.

The study projected possible scenarios based on hypothetical complete oil cutoffs in 1980, when western economies were in an upswing, and in 1982, when they were in recession.

It said oil prices would have risen to between \$90 and \$300 a barrel if a cutoff had occurred in 1980, when the price was around \$30 a barrel.

A complete stoppage of oil tankers through the strait of Hormuz, which guards the entrance to the Gulf, would have been less severe had it occurred in 1982. But it would still have driven prices to between \$65 and \$130 a barrel, said the report, prepared by the non-partisan Congressional Research Service.

The report noted that western economies were in a deep recession in 1982, a world oil glut existed and conservation measures had reduced reliance on Middle East oil.

If oil from the Gulf had ceased for a year in 1980, the study said seven western countries would have experienced a combined shortage of 7.1 to 7.7 million barrels of oil a day, or 20 to 25 per cent of their oil requirements at the end of 12 months.

Total production of goods and services would have fallen by between 12 and 27 per cent in the seven countries: the U.S., Canada, France, Britain, West Germany, Italy and Japan.

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Farmers chief calls for 'one major change' in cabinet

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — It is of vital importance that "there be one great change in the cabinet" if a copy of the outgoing Likud government continues in office, according to Eliahu Izakson, president of the Farmers Federation.

Izakson refrains from mentioning this person by name, but he does say that he doubts if a minister, and his advisers, who have brought the country into the present economic and financial situation can reverse his policy — and yet this policy must be reversed.

Otherwise, he says, "the national recession which we are moving into will intensify." Izakson admits that the "average individual in Israel" has not yet felt the impact of this recession, due mainly to the tremendous amounts of unproductive money now in the hands of many individuals.

The main thrust of his argument is that the Finance Ministry tried to solve a secondary problem, that of inflation, by allowing the adverse gap in the balance of trade to grow. "This was done by allowing imports to enter Israel cheaply, and also making the export of Israeli goods non-profitable."

"We have reached a situation where we are importing water," he said, explaining that "the country is being flooded with cheap lemons — which, after all, is water, sugar and lemon juice." On the other hand, Israel is finding it more and more difficult to export its own lemons. The same holds true for all citrus exports, he said.

Izakson proposes several solutions. The first one is to devalue the shekel to its "real value." This will help exports; and will also prevent

the country being flooded with imports which are cheap, due to the advantageous exchange rate which Israeli importers enjoy.

Secondly, Izakson wants all economic giants in the country — the main ones being the government, the Histadrut and the Manufacturers Association — to reach an agreement on a "package deal."

All profits, wages, prices and taxes should be frozen. He admits that this "freeze" will hurt all the non-productive sectors, except banking and tourism, and it will also bring the standard-of-living down.

"But what is wrong in living at a standard-of-living in line with our national and individual incomes," he asks.

During the freeze, which would undoubtedly greatly reduce the amount of imports, the Israeli authorities would have to conduct an "information campaign" to explain to Israel's main trading partners — who would be importing more than they were exporting to Israel — that this step was needed to get Israel's economy again on its feet.

"Our trading partners in the Common Market and GATT will understand that this is only a temporary matter, and that unless this step is taken, Israel will face rough times, thus eventually leading to a much greater drop in trade."

P.O. BOXES. — The factory in Kibbutz Ashdod Ya'acov has been awarded a contract, valued at \$200,000, to build 500 post office box units for the Ministry of Communications. Each unit, which will be placed inside a public building, such as a bank or supermarket, will contain 75 post boxes, so the total order is for 37,500 boxes.

Oil exploration talks to be held next month

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Offshore oil exploration is expected to start soon, and MK Michael Harish believes Israel has a good chance of finding large quantities of oil by this method. He said yesterday that he bases his confidence on the extensive geological studies made.

Harish is chairman of both the Knesset Energy Committee and the Israel Centre for Energy Policies (ICEP) at Beit Berl, which is connected to the Labour Party. He was not willing to predict when oil would be found in commercial quantities in Israel, but was confident that if enough wells were drilled, oil would eventually be found on land or offshore.

Harish was speaking here yesterday at a press conference to announce an ICEP Symposium on Oil Exploration Policy in Israel to be held from October 5-6, 1983 in Herzliya.

This symposium will be for government officials, private investors and oil exploration professionals both from Israel and abroad. Among the speakers will be Erik Himle, director-general, Ministry of Oil and Energy of Norway; Marc Heitner, an oil consultant from the

U.S., and Andrew Sorelle of Houston, Texas, who is presently drilling for oil near Alit. He will talk on his personal experience in oil exploration in Israel.

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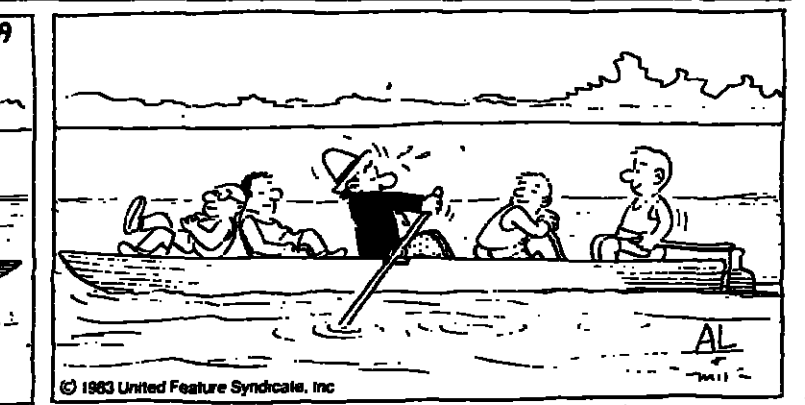
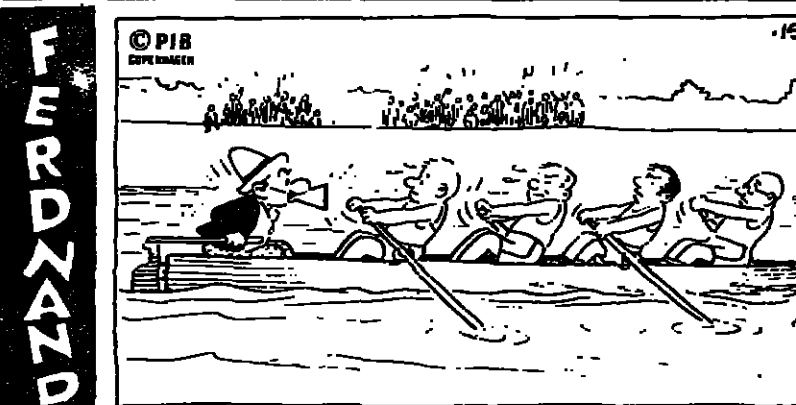
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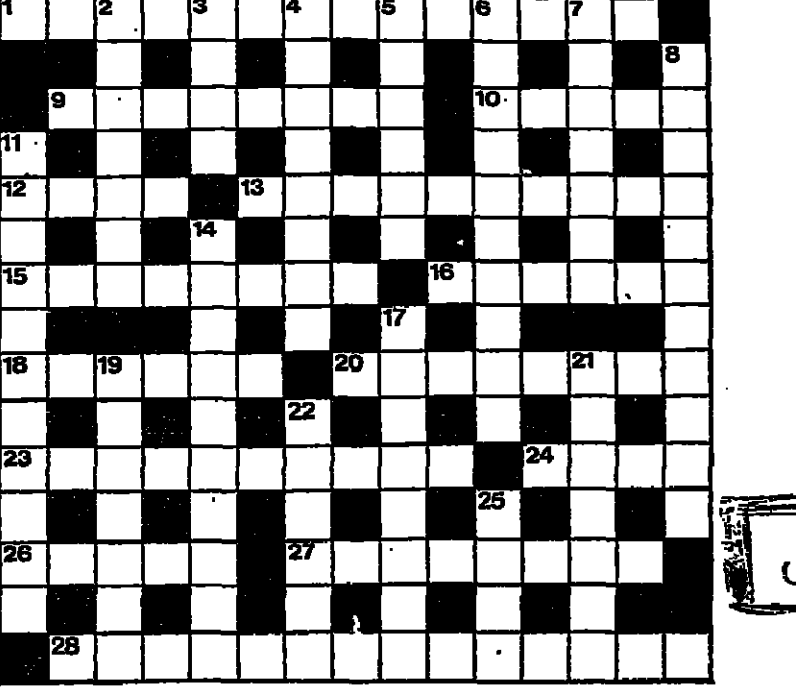
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Turnover low but market up 1.39%

TEL AVIV. — Prices continued to rise yesterday on the stock market, for the fourth consecutive day of trading, but the rises were more moderate than on the previous day's trading.

Turnover continued to be very low, only 154.38 million (compared to 154.01 on the previous day), an indication that most of the buying was being done by financial institutions, in order form or another, and that the general public had not returned in any strength to the market, either in the form of long-range investors, or as speculators.

As for the slow-down in price hikes, this can be shown by the fact that only 72 per cent stocks rose by five or more per cent yesterday, compared to 115 on the previous day. And there were only seven buyers only, compared to 15 on the previous day.

Moreover, there were 26 shares which fell by five per cent or more, and three "sellers only," compared to seven and one respectively for the previous day's trading.

Nevertheless, if the pace slowed down somewhat yesterday, it was still a buoyant market, with all the various categories — except petroleum, which fell by 0.43 per cent — showing nice rises.

The general index itself rose by 0.9 per cent, and if commercial banks, which rose by 0.61 per cent, are excluded, the market rose by 1.39 per cent.

Other sectors rose as follows:

Tel Aviv Stock Exchange

By MACABEE DEAN

Mortgage banks, by 0.25 per cent; financing institutions by 0.13 per cent; insurance companies by 1.21 per cent; trade and utilities by 1.38 per cent; land development also by 1.38 per cent; industrials by 1.65 per cent, and investment companies, by 1.87 per cent.

Among the banking sector, the highest rise went to Danot 1.0, which shot up by 10.1 per cent, thus making up for a considerable period of gloomy prices. Its affiliates, Bank Leumi and Bank Leumi, also rose, the first by 0.6 per cent, the latter by 5 per cent.

Among industrials, Elbit rose by 7.79 points (6.3 per cent) to stand at 13,060. Goldfront rose by 10 per cent, Belton Tadir also rose by ten per cent, as did Hathor, Pargod, Katzenstein and Clal Electronics.

The biggest fall was Tempo Beer option 2, which fell by a huge 34.1 per cent.

Among oil companies, Teroil 1 rose by 9.8 per cent and North American gained 8.2 per cent.

Leumi Mortgage reports a net profit of IS235m. for the six-month period ending June 30, 1983, a 113.6 per cent growth over the similar period last year.

However, if the IS235m. is adjusted for inflation in line with Advisory Opinion 23, the profits shrink to IS18.6m., but this compares to a IS18.6m. loss for the same period in 1982.

During the six-month period ending June 30, 1983, the bank increased the funds it lent by 194.3 per cent to stand at IS3,229m.

If June 30, 1983 is compared to the same date one year before, the balance sheet grew by 201 per cent to IS35,888m.

Pama Investments reports a net profit of IS61m. on June 30, 1983, a growth of 281 per cent compared to the same date one year ago.

However, if the profits are adjusted for inflation, the profits shrink to IS10.7m., compared to only IS0.925m. on June 30, 1983.

Israel Reinsurance increased its profits by 104 per cent in the first half of 1983 to IS31.7m. However, adjustment for inflation turns this profit into a IS4.2m. loss — compared to a loss of IS45.6m. for all of 1982.

The company explains its loss as being partially due to the fact that much of its business is in foreign currency, which rose: in value much slower than the cost-of-living index.

Zika Electrodes reports a profit of IS47.73m. for the first six months of 1983, compared to a profit of IS7.52m. for the similar period last year. However, adjustment for inflation reduces the profit this year to IS4.9m. compared to IS12.785m. last year.

Commercial Banks

Closing price	Volume	Change	% change
IDB p	99100	+994	+1.0
IDB p A	4365	+1.01	+1.6
IDB p B	4460	+1.5	+2.6
IDB p A	26900	+1.65	+2.5
IDB p 11	3180	+27	+8.5
Union op 4	3256	+13	+4
Discount A	5437	+15	+0.3
Discount B	5437	+15	+0.3
Discount C	5437	+15	+0.3
Mizrahi p	1795	+8	+0.5
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General 8	1862	1,978	+1	+0.1
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Mortgage Banks							
Adanim 0.1	1830	41	-30	-1.6	Dard 0.5	140	—
Gen. Mortgage					Dard op 1	—	—
Gen. Mortgage					Dard op 2	289	—
Carmel r	1923	n.c.	—	—	HLB 0.1	356	—
Carmel op	1600	23	+0	+2	HLB 0.5	1031	—
Carmel deb	116	300	+2	-1.7	Properties Bldg	2114	—
Binyan	5579	754	n.c.	—	Bayside 0.1	1340	—
DevMortgage r	1342	22	+6	+5	Bayside 0.5	782	—
DevMortgage b	1336	—	—	—	Buyside op B	900	—
DevMort. op	830	45	+20	+2.5	ILDC r	1782	—
Mishkan r	4319	37	n.c.	—	ILDC b	2650	—
Mishkan b	4319	—	—	—	ICP 0.5	150	—
Independence	1642	9	n.c.	—	ICP R	93	—
Indep. op l	3599	5	n.c.	—	ICP op l	50	—
Tefahot p. B	3445	—	+90	+2.7	Ispro r	237	—
Tefahot r	3445	73	+10	+3	Isrohen	457	—
Tefahot b	3390	—	—	—	Colten Dev.	180	—
Tefahot op B	8367	4	+140	+1.7	Colten Dev. op.	110	—
Tefahot deb. 1	1290	2	+13	+1.0	Lumir 1	130	—
Tefahot deb. 2	351	940	n.c.	—	Lumir 5	89	—
Merav r	252	590	+5	+2.0	Lumir op 1	40	—

Financing Institutions				Ma'agari Beniya			
Shilun 1	210	202	-10	-4.6	Ma'agari B op	3530	
Shilun 2	1345	—	—	+2.2	M.T.M. 5	1400	
Ozar Lat. r	1030	11	n.c.	—	M.T.M. 5	1247	
Ozar Lat. b	109	—	—	—	Mehadrin 1	2260	
Contractors C	184	51	+2	+1.1	Modul Beaton	428	
Agriculture A	10900	—	-600	-5.2	Mishnad 5	146	
Ind Dev p.r.	10560	3	+960	+10.0	Menzur op	178	
Chal Lease 0.1	377	8	—	-1.3	Mar-Lez 1	185	
Chal Lease 0.5	241	22	—	+4.4	Mar-Lez op	317	
Chal Lease op B	362	11	+17	+4.9	Meshulam 1	716	
Chal Lease sc 1	440	55	-3	-0.7	Meshulam 5	70	
					Meshul 1	58	
Insurance					Lifasiz 1	181	
Anyeh 1	577	507	n.e.	n.e.	Lifasiz 5	100	
Anyeh 2	428	2	-15	-3.4	Lifasiz op	4350	
Anyeh 3	2000	1	n.e.	n.e.	Nicot Aviv	4350	
Anyeh 4	906	9	+46	+5.4	Nicod Hadar	1090	
Anyeh 5	369	56	+10	+2.8	Shaf 1	406	
Anyeh 6	208	106	n.e.	n.e.	Shaf 5	341	
Anyeh 7	125	69	+2	+1.3	Shaf op	267	
Anyeh 8	167	33	+2	+1.3	Pr Or	733	
Anyeh 9	430	973	n.c.	n.c.	Pr Or op	733	
Anyeh 10	428	316	+60	+16.3	Cassia 0.1	174	
Anyeh 11	409	60	+31	+7.6	Cassia 0.5	73	
Anyeh 12	1097	14	+1	+0.1	Rogovin 1	285	
Anyeh 13	640	1	+1	+0.1	Rogovin 5	258	
Anyeh 14	330	702	+12	+3.8	Rogovin p.r.	120	
Anyeh 15	296	21	+2	+0.7	Rogovin op	491	
Anyeh 16	328	304	+3	+0.9	Rasico op	410	
Anyeh 17	597	17	-10	-1.7	Shenfar 5	104	
Anyeh 18	232	22	n.e.	n.e.			
Anyeh 19	123	31	+2	+1.7			
Anyeh 20	1060	10	+30	+2.9			
Anyeh 21	315	20	+15	+5.0			
Anyeh 22	1100	47	n.e.	n.e.			
Anyeh 23	470	310	n.e.	n.e.			
Anyeh 24	139	65	+13	+9.3			
Anyeh 25	260	18	+13	+5.0			
Anyeh 26	475	78	n.e.	n.e.			

				Industrials		
Yardenia op 2	123	31	+2	+1.7		
Memora 1	1060	10	+30	+2.9	Agan Chem.	467
Memora 5	315	20	+15	+5.0	Op 1	330
Sahar 1	1100	47	n.e.	n.e.	Op 2	137
Securities 1	470	310	n.e.	n.e.	Op 3	96
Zur 1	1455	13	n.e.	n.e.	Baruch 1	399
Zion Hold. 1.0	460	18	+13	+2.9	Baruch 5	297
Zion Hold. 5.0	275	78	n.e.	—	Octagon	185
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Services & Utilities						
Galei Zohar 1	400	67	-25	-5.9	Octagon op 2	340
Galei Zohar 5	220	107	—	—	Urdan 0.1 r	1104
Galei Zohar 5 op. 1	279	42	+11	+3.9	Urdan 0.5 r	832
Data Mikon	120	8	+3	+2.5	Avian op 3	395
Isradic 1	1580	34	+74	+4.9	Avian op 2	269
Deltek 1	—	—	—	—	Atlantic 1	69
Harel 1	205	12	+7	+3.5	Atlantic op 1	49
Harel 5	122	1	+11	+9.0	I.P. Building	181
Harel op 2	—	—	—	—	Op 1	13060
Lighterage 0.1	40	65	-11	-2.7	Elbit op	17600
Lighterage 0.5	239	118	-2	-0.8	Alumit 1	473
Gold Store 0.1	9696	—	+874	+9.9	Alumit 5	335
Gold Store 1.0	388	1	-40	-10.0	Alumit op	428
Israel Elec. r	—	—	—	—	Osaka	250
no trading				—	Alaska Sport 1	910

Dan Hotels S	292	—	+1	+3	Alaska Sport 5	409
Coral Beach S	171	541	+15	—	Alaska S. op 1	356
Coral B. 8	30	382	-2	-17.7	Elco 0 1	698
Hilan op	400	90	n.e.	—	Elco 0.25 r	476
Hilan op	507	28	—	+1.0	Elco 0.25 b	476
Teta 1	234	5	+6	+2.5	Elco d 1	330
Teta 5	118	94	—	—		
Teta op	64	690	+10	+18.5	Alkol	268
Ya'ane	1590	340	+40	+2.6	Alkol op 1	150
Ya'ane op	585	269	+40	+4.2	Electra 0.1 r	1490
Cial Comp	989	16	+10	+1.7	Electra 0.5 r	659
Cial Comp op	371	15	n.e.	—	Electra op 3	1200
Mtal 1	623	37	+5	+8	Electra op 4	473
Mtal 5	360	37	+30	+9.1	Elron	2930
Mtal op	202	26	+3	+1.5	Cleaver Devices	105
Magor 0.1	197	45	+5	+2.6	Cleaver Devices op	63
Magor 0.5	117	32	-11	-8.6	Onidine 1	281
Magor op 1	579	20	+2	+4	Onidine 5	127
Bond Ware 0.1	300	62	n.e.	—	Onidine op	75
Bond Ware 0.5	179	134	-8	-4.3	Elran	80
Bond Ware op	95	48	-3	-3.1	Elran op	60

VISA CARDS. — The Israel General Bank in October will join Leumi and Discount banks in issuing Visa credit cards.

Bank of Israel Exchange Rates

Currency	Rate
U.S. dollar	61.4997
British sterling	92.3418
German mark	23.0699
French franc	7.6324
Dutch guilder	20.6306
Swiss franc	28.4326
Swedish krona	7.8204
Norwegian krone	8.3035
Danish krone	6.4238
Finnish mark	10.7989
Canadian dollar	49.8680
Australian dollar	54.6148
South African rand	55.5127
Belgian franc (10)	11.4290
Austrian schilling (10)	32.8103
Italian lire (100)	3.8103
Japanese yen (100)	25.3346
Jordanian dinar	164.8200
Lebanese lira	12.7100
Egyptian pound	54.8885

+2	+1.5	Ackerstein 1	320	67	+	+2.6
+1	-9	Ackerstein 5	276	42	-20	-6.8
n.c.	-	Argaman p.r.	990	15	n.c.	-
-3	-4.7	Argaman r.	877	8	n.c.	-
-40	-10.0	Arya	1033	62	n.c.	-
+15	+5.1	Arya B. 1.0	190	97	+	+2.5
+8	+8	Arya C. 0.1	110	549	+	+1.9
+1	9	Tadur 1.0	306	8	n.c.	-
-	-3	Tadur 5.0	229	19	+21	+1.9
n.c.	-	Tadur op i	1175	a.s.2	-18	-11.1
+30	+9.8	Bar-Ton 1	215	6	+	+2.4
+31	+12.1	Bar-Ton 5	90	40	+	+2.4
+17	+5.2	Bar-Ton op	60	90	+	-7.7
-75	-5.0	Goldfrost 1.0	185	20	+17	+1.1
n.c.	-	Goldfrost 5	76	164	+	+4.1
+5	+3.4	Goldfrost op	65	b.a.1	+	+6.6
+20	+3.4	Gul Ind. 1.0	1208	16	n.c.	-
-10	-2.9	Gul Ind. 5.0	369	117	+10	+2.8
+20	+3.0	Gul Ind. op i	465	7	n.c.	-
		Gali Tech. 1.0	120	1041	n.c.	-

+	77	70	+	+1.3		
+	1.6	Dubek p. r	1195	1	-5	-0.4
-18	-5.8	Dubek p. b	1150	1	n.c.	—
+	5.3	Dubek Graft 1	287	334	+12	+4.4
+11	+5.5	Dubek Graft 3	232	262	+12	+5.5
-10	-2.5	Dubek Graft 4	125	125	—	—
+	4.0	Defron 1	362	388	+17	+6.9
+	7.9	Defron 5	170	150	-10	-6.3
n.c.	—	Defron op	113	170	n.c.	—
n.c.	—	Dexter Chem.	61	223	n.c.	+3.2
n.c.	—	Dexter op A	61	223	n.c.	—
+	5.2	Fertilizer 0.1	429	34	n.c.	—
+	6.1	Fertilizer 0.5	260	237	+10	+4.0
+	6.3	Fertilizer op	139	257	+6	+4.5
+	1.6	Cables b	501	18	-40	-8.0
-10	-2.3	Cables b	501	18	-40	-8.0
+12	+5.0	United Spinners 1	182	466	+3	+1.7
-1	-0.5	United Spinners 2	162	28	+3	+1.9
-2	-3.5	United 5 op	83	1663	+3	+3.8
-1	-0.9	Hamasul 1	179	35	-5	-2.8
-2	-3.5	Hamasul 5	111	42	+5	+2.4
+6	+3.6	Hamasul op	169	22	+4.0	+2.7
+5	+1.8	Hatchef 1.0	307	17	+28	+10.0
+3	+1.7	Hatchef 5.0	156	31	+3	+2.0
+	7.7	Vitago 1	135	54	+10	+8.6
+20	+6.4	Vitago 5	184	988	+5	-5.6

+11	+8.5	Vardison	235	18	+20	+9.3
—	—	Vardison op	170	2	—	+9.9
—1	—6	Ziki 1.0	403	1,082	+6	+1.5
—6	—1.7	Ziki 5.0	84	162	—	+1.8
+4	+3.2	Zol-Kal 1	460	15	n.c.	—
+6	+3	Zol-Kal 5	366	—	—	—
+20	+2.0	Zol-Kal op	236	—	+5	+2.2
+30	+4.0	Haman 1	132	41	+3	+2.3
—100	—10.0	Haman op	83	7	+3	+3.8
+6	+3	Is Can Corp 1	315	339	+8	+2.6
—	—	Is Can Corp 5	312	200	+5	+1.6
+3	+2.4	Sdom Metal	88	15	n.c.	—
+3	+3.3	Sdom Metal op	274	25	n.c.	—
+1	+1.0	Pri-Ze 1	157	35	n.c.	—
+22	+10.2	Pri-Ze 5	155	30	—17	—1.7
—5	—1.9	Pri-Ze op	103	10	+3	+3.0
+18	+4.1	Haifa Chemical	1110	62	+13	+1.2
+5	+2.9	Hamisha Yod	220	21	+5	+2.3
+14	+14.6	Hamisha op	114	60	+4	+3.6
+16	+14.0	Teva r	1765	28	+42	+2.4
n.c.	—	Teva b	1770	1	n.c.	—
+2	+5.4	Teva db 3	419	10	—1	—2.2

n.e.	+10.0	Tempo 1.0	350	9	+12	+3.6
+100	+4.3	Tempo 5.0	270	10	n.e.	
-60	-4.1	Tempo 10	75	126	n.e.	
+35	+2.9	Tempo on 2	20	325	-1	-34.1
+10	+4	Tronabest 1	925	2	n.e.	
+3	+1.2	Tronabest 5	650	2	+13	+2.0
n.e.	+9	Tron. on 1	949	1	-142	-13.0
+12	-7.2	Yaeh	252	38	-28	-10.0
-3	-3.4	Yan 1	14	300	14	+4.7
+10	+9.3	Yonar 1	730	3	-80	-9.9
n.e.		Yonar 5	675	2	+5	+0.8
+1	+1.8	Yitzhar 1	160	170	+8	+5.3
+2	+1.4	Yitzhar 5	101	133	+4	+4.1
+5	+5.3	Yitzhar on 1				
+2	+3.7	ZionCables 1	1620	15	+3	+0.2
+2	+1.4	ZionCables 5	326	344	+26	+8.7
+5	+5.3	ZionCables on 1	130		-22	-14.5
+2	+3.7	Elc Electronics	661	761	+60	+10.0
n.e.	+4.6	Lodzia 0.1	1868	1061	+89	+5.0
+20	+1.9	Lodzia 0.4	766	183	+38	+5.2
n.e.		Lodzia 0.7	222		+10	+4.5
n.e.		Ligit on 1	125	7	-2	-1.6
n.e.		Medu Ind.	239	10.1	-12	-4.8
+9	+3.5	Wolfman 1	128			
+40	+8.1	Wolfman 5	130	28	-11	-8.5
+9	+5.5	Mollett B r	890		+10	+1.2
-7	-8.8	M.L.T. 1	501			
+7	+2.5	M.L.T. 5	6350	2	n.e.	
-4	-1.5	Gilco 1	320	148	+17	+5.4
+5	+4.4	Gilco on 1	165	10	+6	+3.4
+10	+2.2	Man L0	762	5	+5	+0.7
-4	-1.8	Man 3.0	400	7	-15	-3.6
+9	+2.8	Man on	183		-1	-0.6
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		Zika 5				
		Zika 10				

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Red lines

WHILE THE Saudi-sponsored effort for a truce in Lebanon is going on, the fighting between the Lebanese Army and its several Syrian-backed enemies is also continuing, even escalating.

Yesterday, for the first time, vessels of the U.S. Sixth Fleet were reported to have gone into action against targets in Syrian-controlled areas outside Beirut not in defence of embattled marines but in retaliation for the shelling of Lebanese Army positions. Yet the insurgent Druse militia under Walid Jumblatt is showing no sign of letup in its military pressure on President Amin Jemayel's forces, and Mr. Jemayel's offers of peace talks with Mr. Jumblatt are being turned down with contempt.

True, the Druse leader is working hard to portray his war against Beirut's central authority as a strictly internal Lebanese affair.

Thus he has disavowed any intention to take advantage of "outside" military assistance, whether by Libya's Muammar Gaddafi or by the PLO terrorists. There are in fact reports that the Druse acted during the past few days to remove the terrorists from some of their newly acquired strongholds in the Shouf. The Druse are fearful, so it is reported, that a PLO infrastructure might be established in the mountain area from which attacks could be launched against the IDF south of the Awali River.

But Mr. Jumblatt is rather selective in his repudiation of aid by outsiders. Thus he is not refusing massive assistance by the Syrians, and he is certainly not barring the PLO from joining the Druse bandwagon.

This cannot be a matter of indifference to Israel. Yet this country is plainly not about to reverse the course of disengagement on which it embarked when the IDF departed from the Shouf. Only a clear and present danger could — and certainly should — induce Israel to become involved in the current fighting in Lebanon.

The official word from Jerusalem is that Israel will intervene in Lebanon only if the terrorists in fact establish themselves north of the Awali with a view to harassing the IDF south of the river and threatening Galilee settlements, and if the Syrians enter the fray in Lebanon directly, either on the ground or in the air. This is a sensible enough approach.

There is, it seems, to be no revision in the policy of deployment along the Awali. Action against the PLO north of the line is to be initiated only if there is reason to believe that the terrorists are massing forces in the area for the purpose of launching operations against Israeli objectives, military and civilian. By the same token, there will be no move to oust the Syrians from the area occupied by them in Lebanon. The IDF will only act to prevent the Syrians from taking the rest of the country over. And presumably the Syrians, despite being egged on by the Soviets, will refrain from tussling with the marines.

What the IDF will clearly not undertake is to secure the dominance of Mr. Jemayel's government over Lebanon. The attempt to reconstitute a strong Lebanon, with Israel's support, under the leadership of the Maronite minority, has in effect been junked. A sovereign and friendly Lebanon is no doubt an asset.

But there is no reason for Israel to take sides in what is — to take Mr. Jumblatt at his word — an internal Lebanese conflict.

This country, it may be hoped, will seek amity with all indigenous Lebanese groups, whether Christian, Moslem or Druse, who are willing to reciprocate the offer of peace.

THE RESIGNATION of Prime Minister Menachem Begin and the steps being taken towards the formation of a new coalition have underlined again the major dilemma facing Israel's parliamentary system.

It is not uncommon in parliamentary democracies which have not evolved a two-party system for one or several small parties to become the real rulers of the country. They, in effect, can decide who will form a government and under what conditions.

Israel's situation, however, is unique in three respects: Firstly, the balancing, or pivotal, parties do not belong to the centre of the political spectrum and thus they do not play a moderating role; secondly, these parties are very narrow in their concerns, representing limited, sectarian groups of the population; and thirdly, they have the power to decide between two different approaches in dealing with the country's problems, each of which would lead the state in diametrically opposite directions.

With regard to the last point, it might be argued that since the two main blocs are almost equal in strength and neither can possibly achieve a majority in the prevailing political set up, it is unavoidable that the small parties will decide which way go.

However, especially with regard to Tami and Agudat Yisrael, we face a paradoxical situation: these two parties are willing to go with the Likud because the Likud is, apparently, willing to pay a higher price for their support.

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Small-party power

By SHEVAH WEISS

issues which divide the Likud and Labour — the question of the future of the West Bank — these two parties appear to be closer to the positions of Labour.

Thus we face a situation in which the fate of the government — and, indeed, of the state itself — is in the hands of parties which are not primarily concerned with the vital political issues of the day. It is, perhaps, the most serious political trap we have ever entered.

THERE ARE several ways out of this situation which deserve comment.

Firstly, it is argued that the small parties would be neutralized if the two main political blocs establish a national unity government. But the Likud and the Alignment have diametrically opposite views on how the state should be run and the type of society that should be moulded in Israel. Thus, what is offered by those who call for unity is a situation which does not ensure that a serious choice is made between the two alternative courses, but rather

that the two cancel each other out altogether.

I do not believe that the establishment of a grand coalition today is either desirable or possible, for the issues confronting the state require decisive action with clear and definite goals. This could not possibly be achieved by a show of false unity.

Secondly, there are several proposals for changing the electoral system, the most serious of which is the Ya'acobi proposal. But while these proposals, if implemented, might decrease the number of parties in the Knesset, I suspect that at least Agudat Yisrael and Hachad would survive and that their bargaining power would be increased, even though their representation would probably fall.

At any rate, there is no practical possibility of changing the system today because such a change could only be achieved with the support of the two major blocs.

At no time have both been interested at the same time of doing so since each becomes interested in

change only when it believes that it could gain a majority by means of such a change — and that can never happen at the same time for both blocs.

Thirdly, there have been suggestions that the parliamentary system be changed to a presidential system, either based on the U.S. model (the No! Proposal) or the French one.

A change to the French system would do away with coalition governments altogether, or greatly reduce their power. However, the chances of changing the "First Israeli Republic" to the "Second Republic" are even smaller than those of changing the system of elections, and so this must remain in the realm of pipe-dreams.

WHEREAS CREATING a grand coalition, changing the system of elections or changing the whole system of government in Israel would require direct action, there are two ways in which the system could correct itself.

One of the characteristics of the Israeli political system in recent years has been its extreme personalization.

Now that Menachem Begin has stepped down, and if elections take place as they are scheduled to in 1985, the Alignment could be led by a personality other than Shimon Peres. The apparent stalemate in the make-up of the support for the two major blocs could break down and a drastic change in the political map could occur, giving one of the blocs much wider support than it enjoyed in the last two elections and

thus greatly reducing the role played by the small parties.

Another scenario, which I personally find most realistic, concerns a major change in the political alignments in Israel. The 1963 vintage alliance between the Liberals and Herut, which made a good deal of political sense and certainly proved its efficacy in the 1977 and 1981 elections, might be running out of steam.

It was primarily the personality of Menachem Begin and the burning desire to get to power which provided the Likud with such a powerful and united bloc of votes.

However, the Liberals are slowly waking up to the fact that they have lost their way ideologically — they have even lost the Finance Ministry, where the late Simha Ehrlich had been allowed to impose the economic upheaval nearly six years ago.

On the other hand, many Herutniks feel that the price which Herut has paid to keep the Liberals within the fold — both in terms of Knesset and cabinet seats — is too high and that Herut members should be given more positions of power.

Unless the Alignment disintegrates, which is unlikely, or some new centre liberal bloc manages to sweep the political scene, Labour could possibly regain its predominant position in Israeli politics.

And in the process, the bargaining power of the small parties could vanish overnight.

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Reining in Reagan

By MIKE SHANAHAN

within 60 days unless the House and Senate specifically allow them to remain.

Twenty-nine of the Senate's 45 Democrats met last week and unanimously approved a resolution which would declare that hostilities in Lebanon have justified invoking the War Powers Act.

DEMOCRATIC leaders say they believe they would have nearly unanimous support among their own for that resolution on the Senate floor, and a substantial number of

Republicans believe Reagan is wrong to fight the issue. As a result, Reagan is under considerable pressure.

"If we get it to the floor, we will pass it," said Democratic Senator Thomas Eagleton, one of the authors of the original 1973 law and a key figure in efforts to persuade Reagan to invoke it.

Republican Senator Charles Percy, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said his panel plans hearings soon on the Democratic resolution.

So far, four U.S. Marines in the peace-keeping force in Beirut have been killed in the fighting. And although Reagan has given Marine jet fighters authority to fire on positions where the attacks might originate, the president has insisted that the level of hostilities does not yet require him to trigger the War Powers measure.

Republican majority leader Howard Baker and Democratic leaders have negotiated privately with senior White House officials to avoid a constitutional confrontation with Reagan. More negotiations are likely this week, but the timing of votes in the House and Senate is uncertain.

AT THE SAME TIME, Democrats, mindful of dramatic battles in the Senate over U.S. involvement in Vietnam, have argued publicly that the law requires the president to let Congress help decide U.S. policy in Lebanon.

"I think the president is breaking the law," said Democratic House

Speaker Thomas "Tip" O'Neill, expressing frustration and anger over White House reluctance to reach a quick agreement on the issue.

O'Neill wants Reagan to agree to some compromise under which the president would be given six to eight months before he would again have to ask Congress for permission to renew the Marines' stay.

Equally impatient is Senate Democratic leader Robert Byrd. "It is very important," he said, "that we recognize things for what they are. Our troops are engaged in hostilities."

Eagleton agrees that Democrats need to keep the pressure on Reagan to give Congress the role spelled out in the act. But in the end, he said, the War Powers Act "just ripples all presidents" who automatically resist limits on their powers to set foreign policy. "They just don't like the War Powers Act," he said.

(The Associated Press)

READERS' LETTERS

CUTTING ELECTION EXPENSES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — There is every prospect that new elections to the Knesset will have to be held and the question of cost deserves consideration now.

The cost to the country for the (present) Tenth Knesset elections was estimated at no less than a billion shekels. This included grants of \$610,000 to the political parties for each of their Knesset members, plus a bonus for expenses. TV films for over 1,000 minutes of broadcasting cost some \$25 million — apart from newspaper advertising, leaflets, posters, etc. Then there was the cost of printing 200 million ballot slips. The day off from work represented a loss in output of over \$800 million. In addition, the political parties raised large sums from private sources, both here and abroad, to help finance their campaign. Altogether, this was probably

the costliest election of any democratic country.

The question, therefore, arises: can a country like Israel, with such a parlous economic situation, afford to repeat this enormous expenditure? Certainly, in view of galloping inflation, it will be far greater this time. Surely the ministry concerned should be required to consider introducing drastic cuts in election expenses, for example:

1. Polling day should not be a public holiday.
2. Grants to political parties should be severely cut.
3. Voting machines should be introduced to replace paper ballot slips.
4. The election campaign should be as short as possible, as in Britain.
5. Both the Knesset elections and the municipal elections should be held on the same day.

DAVID FREEMAN

Haifa.

THE PROBLEMS OF MOSHAVIM

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Yosef Goell's recent series on the problems of moshavim has brought many long-standing problems to light. This crisis, which became public so suddenly, is already in danger of being forgotten as new crises daily come to the fore. My fear is that "fix-it-quick" solutions will be proposed at the top with scant planning, direction or policy considerations. Worst of all, the moshavim themselves will have little input in solving their own problems.

A major aspect of the problem is the lack of flexibility and creativity shown by moshavim. The traditional solution has been a few more dunams of land or cubic metres of water. The individual

moshavim do not seriously carry out trend analysis and market research, nor do they examine new areas of potential development compatible with the members of that moshav. We have much to learn from kibbutzim, progressive companies and institutions everywhere, when they are faced with problems of such a serious nature.

The real problem is keeping these communities alive, vital and productive as economic and social entities. The old solutions will not work in the long run and any search for solutions which does not incorporate the active involvement of the moshavim themselves will likewise be doomed to failure.

ABI SCHATZ

Moshav Talmei Yosef.

REDUCING TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In a recent editorial on road deaths, you indicated that there is no easy solution for reducing accidents.

In the 18 years that I have been involved with traffic safety in California, I have found that government moves very slowly unless there is an outcry from the public for change. It also takes the combined efforts of many agencies for effective traffic safety. It is unfortunate that the public, be it in Israel or the United States, has a high degree of concern for deaths due to war, yet places a very low priority on fatalities resulting from traffic accidents, even though the automobile is as potentially dangerous as a loaded gun.

As you correctly point out, most accidents are caused by human error. Studies in the United States have established that accidents caused by mechanical failures, road conditions and weather conditions account for only 20 per cent of all traffic accidents. Studies have also shown that better than 50 per cent of all accidents can be avoided if one of the parties is driving defensively. As a whole, drivers involved in fatal accidents evidenced worse prior traffic violation and/or traffic accident records than drivers in the general population. Therefore, more effective law enforcement, strong judicial action, good road conditions and an effective post-licensing control programme for identifying problem drivers could reduce accidents in Israel by at least 25 per cent.

The Jerusalem Post should have a continuous campaign stressing the need for improved traffic safety, in order to stir the public and heighten government concern for traffic safety measures. JACK WEISS

Chatsworth, California.

NEITHER SANCTITY NOR SCIENCE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — As part initiator of and host to a seven-man team of outstanding scientists from the Stanford Research Institute of California, which recently visited Israel, I take strong exception to the contents of your article on the City of David ("Sanctity and science" — August 12). In fact, neither sanctity nor science were involved in this reprehensible operation.

The so-called *Haredim* exploited the dig for their own nefarious purposes, namely, to gain publicity for their anti-Zionist activities and raise money abroad for their own private use. They could not care less whether or not there were old bones (Jewish?) buried in an ancient cemetery — if indeed one existed. Additionally, it was simply an excuse, a convenient issue to incite their misguided, frustrated youth to sterile action. So, these people's "religiosity" provided the world press with graphic photos of Jew fighting Jew.

Hardly less to blame is Professor Yigal Shiloah who dissuaded the scientific help offered him. The SRI

international scientists brought with them the most modern equipment, specially designed to serve archaeological digs. It uses ground-penetrating radar, seismic and resistivity studies — without causing any damage whatsoever or disturbing the archaeological site. An accurate, scientific assessment of what lies underground is rendered to guide the digging.

Many leading Israeli archaeologists were glad to avail themselves of this SRI service, provided entirely free of charge and without any obligation — purely as a contribution to the advancement of archaeology in Israel. Amongst the many sites beneficially investigated were Herodion, St. Andrews, Scottish Hospice, Shilo, the Machpelah at Hebron, the Citadel in Jerusalem.

It is to be hoped that an "archaeological park" will not be developed to hide the treasures still buried in the City of David and to cover over the conflict between true sanctity and real science. STANLEY GOLDFOOT

Jerusalem.

AMAZING POLICY

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I read with considerable regret the letter of Abba Eban in your issue of September 11. According to the letter, the main division between the two major parties concerns the handing over of Judea, Samaria and Gaza to Jordan in return for "peace and secure boundaries." One would search in vain the pages of history to find party differences being based on the opposi-

tion demanding to give away (not return) one third of the state in return for a "piece-of-paper peace."

The amazing part of this policy is that neither Eban nor Reagan discloses how King Hussein will reach Gaza. Do they propose to dissect pre-1967 Israel, or to provide a "Danzig corridor" — of course, also in the name of security. ARMIN KRAUSZ

Jerusalem (Sheffield).

URGENT APPEAL

We appeal to the community at large on behalf of a prominent young man stricken with a rare disease. This father of eleven children is in need of extensive medical care, while currently unable to support his considerable family. Medical necessity also requires his immediate removal to proper accommodations. This dire situation and its unbearable financial burden move us to appeal to YOU.

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